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The official seal of the Town of Reading was adopted in 1890. It was prepared and recommended by the Board of Water Commissioners, which had just been formed. George Abbott, an architect and member of the Board, designed the seal, which features Lob's Pound Mill within a shield. For more than 200 years, this building stood on the Ipswich River and was operated as a sawmill and later as a grist mill. Also within the shield are three ravens and a spruce tree. Branches of white pine frame the shield, and on top is the arm and sword from the crest of the Great Seal of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS

1990 ANNUAL REPORT

INFORMATIONAL SUMMARY

History

Reading's original settlers came from England in the 1630's to the Massachusetts Bay Colony. Many arrived through the ports of Lynn and Salem. In 1639 some citizens of Lynn petitioned the government of the Massachusetts Bay Colony for "place for an inland plantation." The General Court granted them six square miles, then an additional four. The first settlement called Lynn Village was on the south shore of the Great Pond, what is now known as Lake Quannapowitt. On May 29th 1644, the settlement was incorporated as the Town of Reading, taking its name from Reading, England. The first parish, also known as the South Parish, became the separate, independent town of South Reading in 1812. It changed its name to Wakefield in 1868. The present Town of Reading was originally called the Third, or Wood End Parish. A special grant in 1651 added land north of the Ipswich River to the Town of Reading. This area in 1853 became the separate Town of North Reading. During its early years, the area which is currently the Town of Reading was known as Wood End, or Third Parish.

In 1693, Town Meeting voted to fund public education in Reading. The funding consisted of "four pounds for three months school in the Town, two pounds for the west end of the Town, and one pound for those north of the Ipswich River." Within the present Town of Reading, the Parker Tavern is the Town's oldest remaining seventeenth century structure, built in 1694. This property is currently owned and operated by the Reading Antiquarian Society, which is a non-profit corporation. In 1769, the meetinghouse, in what is now Reading was built. It was constructed in the area which is currently the Common in Reading. A stone marker commemorates the site.

Reading played an active role in the American Revolutionary War. Minute Men were prominently involved in the engagements pursuing the retreating British Red Coats after the skirmish at Concord Bridge. Dr. John Brooks, Captain of the "Fourth Company of Minute" remained in the army for eight years of distinguished service, including White Plains and Valley Forge. He later became the ninth governor of Massachusetts. Only one Reading soldier was killed in action during the Revolution. Joshua Eaton died in the battle of Saratoga in 1777.

In 1791, sixty members of the "West Parish" which is the current Town of Reading, started the Federal Library. This was a subscription Library with each member paying $1.00 to join, and annual dues of $.25. The Town's public library was created in 1868.

The Andover-Medford Turnpike, now known as Main Street or Route 28, was built in 1806-7 by a private corporation. This provided the citizens of Reading with a better means of travel to the Boston area. In 1845, the Boston & Maine Railroad came to Reading and improved the access to Boston, and the southern markets. During the first half of the nineteen century, Reading became a manufacturing town. Sylvester Harnden's furniture factory, Daniel Pratt's clock factory, and Samuel Pierce's organ pipe factory were major businesses. By the mid 1800's, Reading had thirteen establishments that manufactured chairs and cabinets. The

making of shoes began as a cottage industry and expanded to large factories. Neckties were manufactured here for about ninety years. During and after Civil War the southern markets for Reading's products declined and several of its factories closed.

Reading members of the Richardson Light Guard of South Reading fought at the first battle of Bull Run. The second company was formed as part of the Grand Army of the Potomac, and a third company joined General Bank's expedition in Louisiana. A total of 411 men from Reading fought in the Civil War, of whom 15 died in action and 33 died of wounds and sickness. A memorial exists in the Laurel Hill Cemetery commemorating those who died in the Civil War.

Following the Civil War, Reading became a residential community with excellent rail service to Boston. Industrial expansion during that time included the precursor of General Tire & Rubber Company off Ash Street. Additional businesses created after World War I included the Boston Stove Foundry, Ace Art, and several other companies. The business community currently consists of a number of retail and service businesses in the downtown area, as well as Addison Wesley Publishing Company, and The Analytical Sciences Corporation (TASC). The Homart Company, a subsidiary of Sears Roebuck & Co., is planning the development of four high-quality office buildings and a new hotel at the former landfill site.

In 1994, Reading will celebrate its 350th Anniversary of incorporation as a Town. A volunteer citizens group has been formed to help plan and run the celebration of this event. One aspect of that celebration is the asking of the various Readings and Reddings of the world to help us join in this celebration.

Governmental Structure

The governmental structure of the Town of Reading has evolved since its creation in 1644. Initially, the government consisted of a Town Meeting and a Board of Selectmen. During the early years of the Town, this governmental structure was adequate for the needs of the community. As the Town grew and the needs of its population evolved, the Town of Reading adopted the representative Town Meeting. This form of government replaced the open Town Meeting in 1944. More recently, the residents of Reading adopted the Reading Home Rule Charter in March of 1986. This form of government focused the policy and decision making function in a very few elected boards and committees, and provided for the creation of the Town Manager position to be responsible for day to day operations of the local government.

Currently there are six elected bodies of the Town:

The **Representative Town Meeting** is the Town's legislative body, and is elected from eight precincts, with 24 members per precinct. Members are elected for three year terms, with eight members from each precinct being elected each year. Elections are held in the Spring. There is also annually elected a **Town Moderator**, who is responsible for the conduct of Town Meeting.
The 192 member Town Meeting meets in an annual session in the Spring, and a subsequent meeting in the Fall, plus any special sessions that are called from time to time. Two standing Committees, the By-Law Committee and the Finance Committee provide assistance and advice to the Town Meeting.

A five member **Municipal Light Board** is elected for three year terms. The Municipal Light Board appoints the General Manager of the Light Department. The General Manager, under the direction and control of the Municipal Light Board, has full charge of the operation and management of the Light Department. The Light Department serves the entirety of the Towns of Reading, Wilmington, North Reading, and portions of Lynnfield.

A six member **School Committee** is elected for three year terms. The School Committee is responsible for hiring the Superintendent of Schools and for the operation of the Reading School system.

The **Board of Selectmen** consists of five members elected for three year terms. The Board of Selectmen appoints a Town Manager, and is also responsible for appointing the Town Accountant, the Town Counsel and most volunteer Boards, Committees and Commissions. The Board of Selectmen acts as the major policy making body of the Town other than School Department and Light Department, and serves as the Personnel Board and Board of Public Works.

The **Library Board of Trustees** consists of six members who are elected for three year terms. The Board appoints the Library Director, and provides the policy direction for the operation of the Reading Public Library.

The Town of Reading has a three member **Board of Assessors** who are elected for three year terms. The Board of Assessors is responsible for appointing the Town Appraiser, and overseeing the maintenance of the property assessment system of the Town.

In addition to the Reading Municipal Light Department and the School Department, there are eight departments of the Town. These include the Accounting Department, the Department of Community Development, the Finance Department, the Department of General Services, the Department of Human Services, the Library Department, the Department of Public Safety, and the Department of Public Works. Other than employees within the Library Department, the Town Manager is responsible for appointment of all other employees within the Departments. In addition the Town Manager is responsible for insuring the smooth day to day operation of the Town Government.

Finally, the Town of Reading depends greatly on volunteers to provide policy direction within the Town, to provide advice where appropriate, and in many instances to actually perform some of the municipal functions of the Town. In addition to all of the elected bodies mentioned above, there are literally hundreds of volunteers that staff the various boards, committees and commissions of the Town and who work with staff to provide the best possible service to the residents of the Town of Reading.

Utilities

As mentioned earlier, water and sewer utilities are provided by the Town of Reading through the Department of Public Works. These systems are on an enterprise basis, which means that fees paid go directly to support the system, and the systems are financially self-sufficient. The vast majority of the Town of Reading has sanitary sewer service and public water service.

The Reading Municipal Light Department provides electric service to all of the Town of Reading, as well as several neighboring communities. The RMLD is governed by a five member municipal light board, and they appoint a General Manager of the Light Department. As a department of the Town, a portion of the surplus earnings from the Light Department is distributed on annual basis to the Town for general budgetary purposes.

Boston Gas provides natural gas to many areas of Reading. No other gas company serves the Town.

Telephone Service is provided by New England Telephone Company within the the Town, and Continental Cable Television holds the francise within Reading for cable TV. Within the cable TV system, there is a local studio, and many local programs including Board of Selectmen and School Committee Meetings are broadcast on Cable.

Transportation

Reading lies at a transportation hub. The train service from Reading to the North Station in Boston is excellent. Peak hour service is 26 minutes. The rail system is owned by the MBTA, and run under contract by Amtrak. In addition, the MBTA provides bus service from Reading to Malden via several routes primarily in the eastern side of the community. Resident commuter parking stickers are available for parking in the rail depot area.

State Route 28 bisects the Town in a north south direction, and Route 129 bisects the Town in an east west direction. In addition, there are several interchanges within Reading of Interstate 93 and Interstate 95 (Route 128). These intersections provide for regional access. The distance from Reading to the center of Boston is 12 miles, and several retail shopping malls and employment centers are located along Interstate 93 and Interstate 95.

Shopping

Downtown Reading provides excellent shopping and service establishments. Available shopping includes a variety of automotive establishments, grocery stores, pharmacies, specialty shops, and several hardware stores and sport shops. In addition, a full range of doctors, dentists, lawyers, and other professional services are available within the community. Within 10 miles to the west along Interstate 95 is the Burlington Mall which includes over 100 stores including department stores. To the east along Interstate 95 are several malls including the North Shore Mall, which includes a number of department stores and speciality shops.

In addition, Reading contains a variety of restaurants from fast food establishments and sub shops to fine dining establishments. Reading has a Chamber of Commerce.

Town of Reading, Massachusetts
RESOURCE GUIDE - 1991

Land Area	10 square miles	
Population	22,347	
Tax Rate	$12.88/$1000 of Assessed Valuation	
Bond Ratings		
	A1 - Moody's	
	A + - Standard & Poors	
Chamber of Commerce	Leslie McGonagle, P.O. Box 771, Reading, MA 01867	944-8824

Press

The Reading Chronicle (daily M-F)	944-2200
The Suburban News (weekly)	944-4444
Boston Globe	929-2000

Cable Television

Continental Cable	1-800-433-1188

Utilities

Water - Town of Reading	942-0500
Emergency-After 5:00 P.M. & Weekends	944-1212
Sewer - Town of Reading	942-0500
Emergency-After 5:00 P.M. & Weekends	944-1212
Gas - (where available) Boston Gas	723-5325
Emergency-After 5:00 P.M. & Weekends	321-3500
Electric - Reading Municipal Light Department	944-1340
Emergency-After 5:00 P.M. & Weekends	944-0019

Emergency Services

Police - General Business - Edward Marchand, Chief	944-1212
Emergency	944-1212
Fire - General Business - Leonard Redfern, Chief	944-3132
Emergency	944-3131
Ambulance - General Business	944-3132
Emergency	944-3131
Animal Control - General Business	944-1212
Emergency	944-1212

Town Officers

Reading Town Hall, 16 Lowell Street (Connecting All Departments)	942-0500
Town Manager - Peter I. Hechenbleikner	x16
Town Clerk - Catherine Quimby	x24
Community Development Department - Jonathan Edwards, Director	x73
Building Inspector - Stuart LeClaire	x71
Conservation Administrator - Donald Nadeau	x70
Town Planner - Jonathan Edwards	x73
Board of Appeals	x73
Accountant - Richard Foley	x52
Finance Department - Beth Klepeis, Director	
Treasurer-Collector - Beth Klepeis	x48
Assessors - Yano Tine, Appraiser	x26
Human Services Department - Ruth Cogan, Director	x57
Health - Ruth Cogan	x57
Veterans Services - Paul Farrell	x84
Elder Services - Lois Bond	x83

Town Officers (continued)

Senior Center/Meal Site	x53
Recreation - Lesley Wexler	x60
Fuel Assistance	x57
Public Works	
Director - Anthony Fletcher	x41
Operations - Ted McIntire	x40
Engineering - Bill Robertson	x34
Building Maintenance - Charlie Darby	x59
Cemetery - Robert Keating	x61
Parks - Bud Dickey	x36
Water/Sewer - Bill Winkler	x36
Reading Housing Authority, 22 Frank D. Tanner Drive, Reading, MA 01867	944-6755
Margaret K. Plansky, Executive Director	
Richard S. Dempster, Chairman	
School Department, 62 Oakland Road, Reading, MA 01867	944-5800
Superintendent - Dr. Robert Munnelly	
Vocational School	
Northeast Metropolitan Regional Vocational School, Hemlock Road, Wakefield	246-0810

State

Fifth Councillor District - Precincts 1, 7 & 8
John P. Harris, 31 Lincoln Circle, Andover, MA 01810

Sixth Councillor District - Precincts 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6
Daniel G. Hurley, 16 Welgate Road, Medford, MA 02155

First Essex & Middlesex Senatorial District - Precincts 1, 7, & 8
Robert C. Buell, State House, Room 321, Boston, MA 02133 722-1600
41 Woodcrest Road, Boxford

Third Middlesex District - Precincts 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6
Richard Tisei, State House - Room 416A, Boston, MA 02133 722-1206
968 Main Street, Wakefield, MA 01880 246-3660

Twenty-First Middlesex Representative District
Robert Krekorian, State House - Room 540, Boston, MA 02133 722-2090

Fourth District Court of Eastern Middlesex
30 Pleasant Street, Woburn, MA 935-4000

Federal

Seventh Congressional District
Edward J. Markey, 2100-A J.F.K. Building, Boston, MA 02203 565-2900

Senators
Edward M. Kennedy, 2400 J.F.K. Building-20th Floor, Boston, MA 02203 565-3170
John Kerry, 2400 J.F.K. Building-20th Floor, Boston, MA 02203 565-8519

Social Security Administration
24 Exchange Street, Malden, MA 02148 1-800-234-5772

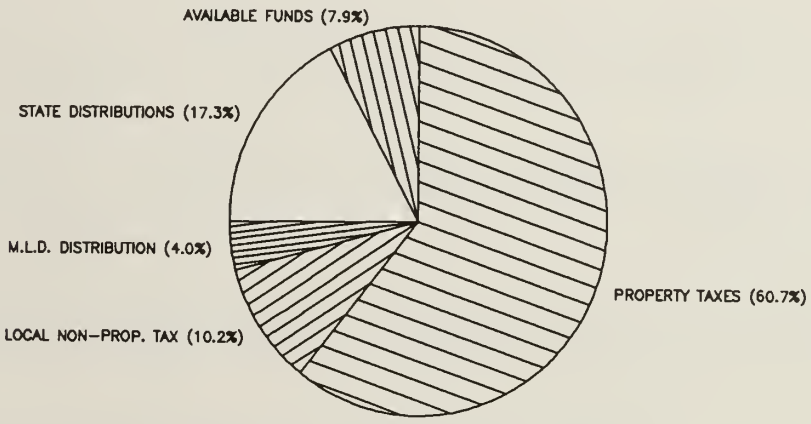
Passport Agency
J.F.K. Building, Boston, MA 565-3934

Reading Post Office
136 Haven Street, John Driscoll - Postmaster 944-1363

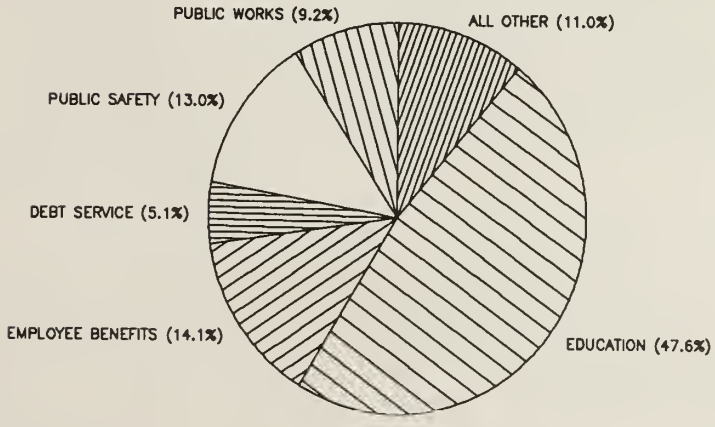
ACCOUNTANT

Town of Reading, Massachusetts
Fiscal Year 1991 Budget
General Fund

Revenues and Other Sources



Appropriations and Assessments



Report of the Town Accountant

The following financial reports for the year ended June 30, 1990 are submitted in accordance with Chapter 41, Section 61 of the Massachusetts General Laws.

General Purpose Financial Statements with Auditor's Report.

Statement of Expenditures and Encumbrances, Compared to Budget (Cash Basis) - General Fund (Schedule 1).

Statement of Expenditures and Encumbrances, Compared to Prior Years Encumbrances (Cash Basis) - General Fund (Schedule 2).

Statement of Expenditures and Encumbrances, Compared to Budget (Cash Basis) - Water Fund (Schedule 3).

Statement of Expenditures and Encumbrances, Compared to Budget (Cash Basis) - Sewer Fund (Schedule 4).

Independent Auditors' Report

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Reading, Massachusetts:

We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Reading, Massachusetts as of and for the year ended June 30, 1990, as listed in the accompanying table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit. We did not audit the financial statements of the Electric Enterprise Fund. Those financial statements were audited by other auditors whose report thereon has been furnished to us and our opinion expressed herein, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the Electric Enterprise Fund is based solely upon the report of the other auditors.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The Town has not maintained records of the cost of their general fixed assets and, therefore, a general fixed assets account group is not presented in the accompanying general purpose financial statements as required by generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, except that the omission of a general fixed assets group of accounts results in an incomplete presentation the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Reading, Massachusetts at June 30, 1990, and the results of its operations and cash flows of its proprietary and similar trust fund types for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The supplementary information on pages 37 through 46 as listed in the accompanying table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Reading, Massachusetts. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

The analysis of funding progress and revenues by source and expenses by type of the Town of Reading's Retirement System on pages 36 and 37 are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures to this information, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

KPMG Peat Marwick

September 28, 1990

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS

Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Group

June 30, 1990
(except for the Electric Enterprise Fund which is as of December 31, 1989)

Assets and Other Debits	Governmental Fund Types			Proprietary Fund Types		Fiduciary Fund Types	Account Group	Total (Memorandum only)
	General Fund	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects Funds	Water and Sewer Enterprise Funds	Electric Enterprise Fund	Trust and Agency Funds	General Long-Term Obligations	
Cash and investments (note 5)	$ 5,610,127	76,159	28,572	69,077	11,431,986	24,911,130	-	42,127,051
Investment with fiscal agents, at market	-	-	-	-	-	694,604	-	694,604
Receivables (net of allowance for uncollectibles):								
Property taxes (note 3)	383,795	-	-	-	-	-	-	383,795
Deferred property taxes	203,269	-	-	-	-	-	-	203,269
Tax liens	422,789	-	-	54,900	-	-	-	477,689
Motor vehicles excises	225,321	-	-	-	-	-	-	225,321
User charges	-	-	-	1,440,239	2,749,226	-	-	4,189,465
Special assessments	45,382	-	-	28,915	-	-	-	74,297
Other	-	-	-	-	1,523,664	7,750	-	1,531,414
Due from state	3,244,408	-	-	-	-	110,472	-	3,354,880
Due from other funds	-	2,248,484	482,500	1,432,890	-	1,124,483	-	5,288,357
Other assets	-	-	-	-	461,872	-	-	461,872
Prepaid expenses	-	-	-	-	848,050	-	-	848,050
Inventory	-	-	-	80,099	1,179,369	-	-	1,259,468
Property, plant and equipment - net (note 13)	-	-	-	9,845,281	16,852,343	-	-	26,697,624
Amount to be provided for retirement of general long-term obligations	-	-	-	-	-	-	24,159,939	24,159,939
Total assets and other debits	$ 10,135,091	2,324,643	511,072	12,951,401	35,046,510	26,848,439	24,159,939	111,977,095

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS

Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Group

June 30, 1990
(except for the Electric Enterprise Fund which is as of December 31, 1989)

Liabilities and Fund Equity	Governmental Fund Types			Proprietary Fund Types		Fiduciary Fund Types	Account Group	
	General Fund	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects Funds	Water and Sewer Enterprise Funds	Electric Enterprise Fund	Trust and Agency Funds	General Long-Term Obligations	Total (Memorandum only)
Liabilities:								
Warrants and accounts payable	$ 726,665	76,159	121,530	69,077	3,926,239	23,938	-	4,943,608
Accrued liabilities:								
Payroll	293,850	7,482	-	-	-	-	-	301,332
Withholdings	205,563	-	-	-	-	-	-	205,563
Sick leave	-	-	-	25,210	155,087	-	454,939	635,236
Deposits	-	50,000	-	-	458,917	-	-	508,917
Other	16,833	-	-	-	2,185,432	129,704	-	2,331,969
Due to other funds	5,074,646	-	-	-	-	993,711	-	6,068,357
Deferred revenue	1,106,556	-	-	84,054	1,119,700	-	-	2,310,310
Accrued interest on bonds payable	-	-	-	15,153	225	-	-	15,378
Notes payable	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,120,000	4,120,000
Bonds payable	-	-	-	380,000	30,000	-	5,645,000	6,055,000
Pension obligations payable	-	-	-	-	-	-	13,940,000	13,940,000
Deferred compensation	-	-	-	-	-	694,604	-	694,604
Total liabilities	7,424,113	133,641	121,530	573,494	7,875,600	1,841,957	24,159,939	42,130,274
Fund Equity:								
Contributed capital	-	-	-	5,980,878	2,122,425	-	-	8,103,303
Retained earnings:								
Reserved	-	-	-	5,921,003	-	-	-	5,921,003
Unreserved	-	-	-	476,026	25,048,485	-	-	25,524,511
Fund balances:								
Reserved by state statute	416,364	-	-	-	-	-	-	416,364
Reserved for:								
Encumbrances	439,484	-	389,542	-	-	-	-	829,026
Subsequent years' expenditures	689,000	1,340,000	-	-	-	77,082	-	2,106,082
Endowments	-	-	-	-	-	1,002,529	-	1,002,529
Employees' retirement system	-	-	-	-	-	13,723,090	-	13,723,090
Unreserved:								
Undesignated	1,166,130	851,002	-	-	-	10,203,781	-	12,220,913
Total fund equity	2,710,978	2,191,002	389,542	12,377,907	27,170,910	25,006,482	-	69,846,821
Total liabilities and fund equity	$ 10,135,091	2,324,643	511,072	12,951,401	35,046,510	26,848,439	24,159,939	111,977,095

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS

Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in
Fund Balances - All Governmental Fund Types and Expendable Trust Funds

Year ended June 30, 1990

	Governmental Fund Types			Fund Types	
	General Fund	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Project Funds	Expendable Trust Funds	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Revenues:					
Property taxes	$ 18,095,870	-	-	-	18,095,870
Excise taxes	1,358,262	-	-	-	1,358,262
Penalties and interest on taxes and excises	116,514	-	-	-	116,514
Payments in lieu of taxes	63,650	-	-	-	63,650
Charges for services	539,742	953,151	-	-	1,492,893
Licenses and permits	51,800	-	-	-	51,800
Intergovernmental	6,658,053	762,112	-	-	7,420,165
Special Assessments	10,692	-	-	-	10,692
Fines	224,437	-	-	-	224,437
Investment income	1,066,282	3,441	-	851,744	1,921,467
Other	13,771	86,194	-	-	99,965
Total revenues	28,199,073	1,804,898	-	851,744	30,855,715
Expenditures:					
Current:					
General government	1,922,406	11,388	-	146	1,933,940
Public safety	4,140,052	187,635	-	-	4,327,687
Education	15,218,802	1,552,905	-	1,400	16,773,107
Public works and facilities	3,244,798	1,825	-	8,500	3,255,123
Human services	268,435	23,872	-	31,860	324,167
Culture and recreation	556,500	79,345	-	-	635,845
Employee benefits	3,948,964	-	-	987,642	4,936,606
Intergovernmental	613,834	-	-	-	613,834
Capital outlay	-	-	3,797,962	-	3,797,962
Debt service	1,541,925	-	-	-	1,541,925
Total expenditures	31,455,716	1,856,970	3,797,962	1,029,548	38,140,196
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(3,256,643)	(52,072)	(3,797,962)	(177,804)	(7,284,481)
Other financing sources (uses):					
Proceeds of general obligation notes and bonds	-	-	3,797,000	-	3,797,000
Operating transfers in (out) (note 11)	2,407,013	(1,236,072)	(3,145)	758,578	1,926,374
Total other financing sources (uses)	2,407,013	(1,236,072)	3,793,855	758,578	5,723,374
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over expenditures and other uses	(849,630)	(1,288,144)	(4,107)	580,774	(1,561,107)
Fund balance, beginning of year	3,560,608	3,479,146	393,649	9,700,089	17,133,492
Fund balances, end of year	$ 2,710,978	2,191,002	389,542	10,280,863	15,572,385

See accompanying notes to general purpose financial statements.

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS

Combined Statement of Revenues and Expenditures - Budgetary Basis - General Fund

Year ended June 30, 1990

	Final Budget	Actual	Variance-Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues:			
Property taxes	$ 18,151,750	17,811,173	(340,577)
Excise taxes	1,520,000	1,273,262	(246,738)
Penalties and interest on taxes and excises	110,000	116,514	6,514
Payments in lieu of taxes	55,000	63,650	8,650
Charges for services	592,000	539,742	(52,258)
Licenses and permits	50,000	51,800	1,800
Intergovernmental	5,767,353	6,658,053	890,700
Special assessments	10,000	10,692	692
Fines	165,000	224,437	59,437
Investment income	950,000	1,066,282	116,282
Other	-	13,771	13,771
Total revenues	27,371,103	27,829,376	458,273
Expenditures:			
General government	1,991,159	1,901,426	89,733
Public safety	4,153,864	4,141,291	12,573
Education	15,212,714	15,200,607	12,107
Public works and facilities	3,150,385	3,133,377	17,008
Human services	290,323	280,685	9,638
Culture and recreation	570,056	559,167	10,889
Employee benefits	3,993,687	3,937,780	55,907
Intergovernmental	609,968	613,834	(3,866)
Debt service	1,542,159	1,541,925	234
Total expenditures	31,514,315	31,310,092	204,223
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(4,143,212)	(3,480,716)	662,496
Other finanicng sources (uses):			
Transfers from (to):			
Special revenue funds	1,235,904	1,236,072	168
Capital projects funds	-	3,145	3,145
Enterprise funds	1,306,796	1,306,796	-
Trust funds	(136,000)	(139,000)	(3,000)
Total other financing sources (uses)	2,406,700	2,407,013	313
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over expenditures and other uses	$ (1,736,512)	(1,073,703)	662,809

See accompanying notes to general purpose financial statements.

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS

Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Equity -
All Proprietary Fund Types and Similar Trust Funds

Year ended June 30, 1990
(except for the Electric Enterprise Fund which is for the year ended December 31, 1989)

	Proprietary Fund Types		Fiduciary Fund Types		
	Water and Sewer Enterprise Funds	Electric Enterprise Fund	Employee Retirement Trust Fund	Nonexpendable Trust Funds	Total (Memorandum Only)
Operating revenues:					
Charges for services	$ 3,593,499	45,034,795	-	-	48,628,294
Special assessments	9,385	-	-	-	9,385
Investment income	-	-	1,166,672	87,591	1,254,263
Contributions	-	-	3,578,701	-	3,578,701
Gifts	-	-	-	121,175	121,175
Total operating revenues	3,602,884	45,034,795	4,745,373	208,766	53,591,818
Operating expenses:					
Personal services	560,213	-	30,054	-	590,267
Fringe benefits	218,513	-	-	-	218,513
Energy purchases	136,813	36,234,168	-	-	36,370,981
Intergovernmental	1,260,326	-	-	-	1,260,326
Depreciation	391,909	1,207,701	-	-	1,599,610
Benefit payments	-	-	2,593,977	-	2,593,977
Refunds	-	-	96,382	-	96,382
Other	653,598	-	5,098	-	658,696
Electric operations - personal services	-	3,952,431	-	-	3,952,431
Total operating expenses	3,221,372	41,394,300	2,725,511	-	47,341,183
Operating income	381,512	3,640,495	2,019,862	208,766	6,250,635
Non-operating revenues (expenses):					
Operating grant	169,950		-	-	169,950
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	-	27,816	-	-	27,816
Investment income	41,337	638,031	-	-	679,368
Interest expense	(50,305)	(10,899)	-	-	(61,204)
Total non-operating revenues (expenses)	160,982	654,948	-	-	815,930
Income before operating transfers	542,494	4,295,443	2,019,862	208,766	7,066,565
Operating transfers out (note 11)	(87,506)	(1,711,352)	-	(87,594)	(1,886,452)
Net income	454,988	2,584,091	2,019,862	121,172	15,180,113
Fund equity, beginning of year	11,922,919	24,468,125	11,703,228	881,357	48,975,629
Contributions from customers	-	118,694	-	-	118,694
Fund equity, end of year	$ 12,377,907	27,170,910	13,723,090	1,002,529	54,274,436

See accompanying notes to general purpose financial statements.

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS

Combined Statement of Cash Flows -
All Proprietary Fund Types and Similar Trust Funds

Year ended June 30, 1990
(except for the Electric Enterprise Fund which is for the year ended December 31, 1989)

	Proprietary Fund Types		Fiduciary Fund Type	
	Water and Sewer Enterprise Funds	Electric Enterprise Fund	Nonexpendable Trust Funds	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Operating income	$ 381,512	3,640,495	208,766	4,230,773
Adjustments to reconcile net operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Depreciation	391,909	1,207,701	-	1,599,610
Changes in assets and liabilities:				
Increase in account receivables (net)	(32,615)	(317,977)	(2,500)	(353,092)
Increase in due from other funds	(54,524)	-	(118,672)	(173,196)
Increase in other assets	-	(117,425)	-	(117,425)
Decrease in prepaid expenses	-	92,818	-	92,818
(Increase) decrease in inventory	54,856	(357,089)	-	(302,233)
Increase (decrease) in warrants and accounts payable	(101,862)	1,681,274	-	1,579,412
Increase (decrease) in compensated absences payable	(16,363)	17,519	-	1,156
(Decrease) in deposits	-	(113,712)	-	(113,712)
Increase in other accrued liabilities	-	335,706	-	335,706
Increase (decrease) in deferred revenues	4,615	(101,984)	-	(97,369)
Net cash provided by operating activities	627,528	5,967,326	87,594	6,682,448

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TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS

Combined Statement of Cash Flows -
All Proprietary Fund Types and Similar Trust Funds

Year ended June 30, 1990
(except for the Electric Enterprise Fund which is for the year ended December 31, 1989)

	Proprietary Fund Types		Fiduciary Fund Type	
	Water and Sewer Enterprise Funds	Electric Enterprise Fund	Nonexpendable Trust Funds	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash flows form noncapital financing activities:				
Operating grants received	$ 169,950	-	-	169,950
Operating transfers out to other funds	(87,506)	(1,711,352)	(87,594)	(1,886,452)
Net cash used by noncapital financing activities	82,444	(1,711,352)	(87,594)	(1,716,502)
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:				
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	(364,143)	(2,012,333)	-	(2,376,476)
Principal payments - bonds	(365,000)	(130,000)	-	(495,000)
Interest paid	(60,980)	(13,291)	-	(74,271)
Contributions from customers	-	118,694	-	118,694
Net cash used capital and related by financing activities	(790,123)	(2,036,930)	-	(2,827,053)
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Interest on investments	41,337	638,031	-	679,368
Net cash provided (used) by investing activities	41,337	638,031	-	679,368
Net increase (decrease) in cash	(38,814)	2,857,075	-	2,818,261
Cash, beginning of year	107,891	8,574,911	-	8,682,802
Cash, end of year	$ 69,077	11,431,986	-	11,501,063

See accompanying notes to general purpose financial statements.

(1) Financial Statement Presentation

The general purpose financial statements present information on organizations and activities of the Town of Reading, Massachusetts (the "Town") for which the Board of Selectmen has oversight responsibility. The criteria, as established by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, for inclusion of organizations and activities in the oversight entity's general purpose financial statements are: selection of governing authority, designation of management, ability to significantly influence operations, accountability over fiscal matters and scope of public service.

The inclusion of organizations and activities in the Town's general purpose financial statements does not affect their separate legal standing. In addition to the operations of the Town, the Town of Reading Retirement System (the "System") and the Town of Reading Municipal Light Department (the "Light Department") are included in the accompanying financial statements. The System was established under the authority of Chapter 32 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended, and is an independent contributory retirement system available to employees of the Town. The powers of the System are vested in the Retirement Board. The Light Department sells electric power to citizens of the Town and other municipalities. In addition, the Town has fiscal responsibility over cash transactions and borrowings of the Light Department. The powers of the Light Department are vested in a separately elected Municipal Light Board.

The Reading Housing Authority has been excluded from the accompanying financial statements; the Town has no oversight responsibility for the Authority's operations and no responsibility for the Authority's deficits or debts.

(2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(a) Basis of Presentation

The financial condition and results of operations of the Town's funds are presented as of and for the year ended June 30, 1990, except for the Town's Electric Enterprise Fund which is presented as of and for the year ended December 31, 1989. The accounting policies of the Town conform with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"), except that the Town does not maintain, and therefore does not report, a general fixed assets account group. Such departure from GAAP is permissible under the Massachusetts Uniform Municipal Accounting System.

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(b) Fund Accounting

Transactions are recorded in the funds and account group described below. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures and other financing sources and uses. Transactions between funds within a fund type have been eliminated. The funds and account group are organized into three categories as follows:

Governmental Fund Types

Governmental Funds are those through which most governmental functions are financed. The acquisition, use and balances of expendable financial resources and the related liabilities are accounted for through governmental funds. The measurement focus is on determination of changes in financial position, rather than on net income. The governmental fund types are as follows:

General Fund - This fund is the general operating fund of the Town. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in other funds.

Special Revenue Funds - These funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than special assessments, expendable trusts and capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

Capital Projects Funds - These funds are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities (other than those financed by proprietary funds and trust funds). Such resources are derived principally from proceeds of general obligation bonds and from federal and state grants.

Proprietary Fund Types

These funds are used to account for activities that are similar to those often found in the private sector. The measurement focus is upon determination of net income and capital maintenance.

Fiduciary Fund Types

Fiduciary Funds are used to account for assets held in a trustee capacity (Trust Funds) or as an agent (Agency Funds) for individuals, private organizations, other governmental units, and/or other funds. Trust funds include expendable trust funds, nonexpendable trust funds and pension trust funds.

Account Group

The general long-term obligations account group is used to establish control and accountability for all long-term obligations of the Town except those accounted for in proprietary funds.

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(c) Basis of Accounting

Governmental fund types, expendable trust funds and agency funds are accounted for on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded in the accounting period when susceptible to accrual (i.e., both measurable and available). Available means expected to be collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. In applying this principle, the Town accrues as revenue the amount of taxes due to the Town prior to year end and collected within 60 days after the end of its fiscal year; all other revenues, except revenue from expenditure driven grants (see below), are recorded when cash is received. Expenditures, other than interest on long-term debt, judgments and claims, and sick and vacation pay, are recorded in the accounting period in which the liability is incurred. Interest on long-term debt, sick and vacation pay are expensed when due. Judgements and claims are expensed when the related matter is settled or adjudicated.

Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, capital outlay and principal payments on long-term debt are recorded as expenditures when purchased or when due, respectively.

Revenues related to expenditure driven grants, where moneys must be expended for the specific purpose or project before any amounts are earned, are recognized when expenditures are recorded.

Proprietary funds, nonexpendable trust funds, and agency funds follow the full accrual method of accounting.

(d) Accrued Sick and Vacation

Employee vacation leave is vested annually but may not be carried forward to succeeding years. Generally, sick leave may accumulate indefinitely, of which a maximum of 100 days may be paid upon termination at 50% pay. The Town's policy is to recognize vacation costs at the time payments are made. The Town records accumulated unused vested sick pay as a liability in the General Long-Term Obligations Account Group and the Proprietary Fund Types. The amount recorded is the maximum amount to be paid at termination at 50% of the current rate of pay.

(e) Deferred Revenue

Deferred revenue is recognized for receivables which are not available to finance current operations.

(f) Encumbrances and Continuing Appropriations

Encumbrance accounting, under which contracts and other commitments for expenditure of funds are recorded to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, is employed in the Governmental Fund Types as a significant aspect of budgetary control.

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Unencumbered appropriations which are carried over to the ensuing fiscal year are reported as "continuing appropriations". Continuing appropriations represent amounts appropriated for specific programs or projects which were not completed during the fiscal year.

Encumbrances and continuing appropriations are reported as reservations of fund balances in the accompanying balance sheet because they do not constitute expenditures or liabilities. Encumbrances and continuing appropriations are combined with expenditures for budgetary comparison purposes (see note 4).

(g) Retained Earnings

In accordance with Chapter 306 - Acts of 1986 of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Town accounts for its Water and Sewer funds as enterprise funds. The reserved portion of the Water and Sewer funds represents the amount of fund equity which is not available for appropriation in accordance with statutory requirements.

(h) Fund Balance

The Town has allocated fund balances of its governmental and trust funds as follows:

Reserved by State Statute - Represents the amount of fund balance which is not available for appropriation in accordance with statutory requirements.

Reserved for Encumbrances and Continuing Appropriations - Represents the amount of unexpended appropriations carried forward to fiscal year 1990 for projects which have not been completed and for contracts which have not been performed.

Reserved for Subsequent Year's Expenditures - Represents the amount of fund balance authorized to fund fiscal year 1991 appropriations.

Reserved for Endowments - Represents the amount of Trust Fund fund balance which is legally restricted to endowment purposes.

Reserved for Contributory Retirement System - Represents the amount of funds accumulated in the Contributory Retirement System.

Unreserved Fund Balances (Undesignated) - Represents the amount of funds available for appropriation at the Town Meeting or for expenditure in accordance with legal restrictions for certain Special Revenue and Trust Funds.

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(i) Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment of the proprietary funds are recorded at cost. Depreciation is computed on a straight line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets for the water and sewer funds as follows:

Plant and buildings	25 - 50 years
Water and sewer lines	50 years
Equipment and fixtures	5 - 20 years

Depreciation on municipal contributed property, plant and equipment is charged to municipal contributed capital ($308,712 in 1990) while depreciation on purchased property, plant and equipment is recognized as an operating expense. Depreciation on property, plant and equipment of the Light Department is computed based on statutory rates which may be adjusted upon receiving approval from the Department of Public Utilities.

(j) Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost (first-in, first-out) or market.

(k) Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications have been made to the financial statements of the Light Department to conform with the Town's presentation.

(l) Total (Memorandum Only) Columns

Total (memorandum only) columns on the general purpose financial statements are presented to aggregate financial data of the fund types and account group. No consolidating or eliminating entries were made in arriving at the totals; thus, they do not present consolidated information in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

(3) Property Taxes

Real and personal property taxes are based on values assessed as of each January 1st and are normally due on the subsequent November 1st and May 1st. By law, all taxable property in the Commonwealth must be assessed at 100% of fair cash value. Taxes due and unpaid after the respective due dates are subject to interest and penalties. The Town has an ultimate right to foreclose on property for which taxes have not been paid. Property taxes levied are recorded as receivables in the fiscal year of the levy. Property tax revenues are recorded in accordance with the modified accrual basis of accounting described in note 2.

A statewide tax limitation statute known as "Proposition 2-1/2" limits the property tax levy to an amount equal to 2-1/2% of the value of all taxable property in the Town. A secondary limitation is that no levy in a fiscal year may exceed the preceding year's allowable tax levy by more than 2-1/2%, plus taxes levied on certain property newly added to the tax rolls. Certain Proposition 2-1/2 taxing limitations can be overridden by a Town-wide referendum vote.

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(4) Budgetary Basis of Accounting

The Town must establish its property tax rate each year so that the resulting property tax levy will comply with the limits required by Proposition 2-1/2 and also constitute that amount which will equal the sum of (a) the aggregate of all annual appropriations for expenditures, state and county assessments, a provision for property tax abatements and exemptions, and transfers, plus (b) provision for the prior fiscal year's deficits, if any, less (c) the aggregate of all non-property tax revenues and transfers projected to be received by the Town, including available surplus funds.

Under the Town's charter, the budgets for all departments and operations of the Town, except that of public schools, are prepared under the direction of the Town Manager. The School Department budget is prepared under the direction of the School Committee. The Finance Committee then presents its recommendations on the budget to Town Meeting. Original and supplemental appropriations are acted upon by Town Meeting vote.

The Town's General Fund Budget is prepared on a basis other than generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The "actual" results column of the Statement of Revenues and Expenditures - Budgetary Basis is presented on a "budget basis" to provide a meaningful comparison with the budget. The major differences between the budget and GAAP bases are that:

(a) Budgeted revenues are recorded when cash is received as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP), and;

(b) Encumbrances and continuing appropriations are recorded as the equivalent of expenditures (budget) as opposed to a reservation of fund balance (GAAP);

The following reconciliation summarizes the differences between the budget and GAAP basis accounting principles for the year ended June 30, 1990:

Deficiency of revenues and other financing sources over expenditures and other financing uses - budget basis	$ (1,073,703)
Adjustments:	
Revenue from prior years property taxes	269,397
Current year revenue accrual from excise and property taxes	180,000
Prior year revenue accrual from excise and property taxes	(79,700)
Prior year encumbrances expended in fiscal year 1989	(446,650)
Current year encumbrances included as expenditures for budget presentation	301,026
Deficiency of revenues and other financing sources over expenditures and other financing uses - GAAP basis	$ (849,630)

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(5) Cash and Investments

State and local statutes place certain limitations on the nature of deposits and investments available to the Town. Deposits (including demand deposits, term deposits and certificates of deposit) in any one financial institution may not exceed certain levels without collateralization by the financial institutions involved. Investments can also be made in securities issued by or unconditionally guaranteed by the U.S. government or agencies that have a maturity of less than one year from the date of purchase, repurchase agreements guaranteed by the U.S. government or agencies that have a maturity of less than one year from the date of purchase, repurchase agreements guaranteed by such securities with maturity dates of no more than 90 days from the date of purchase and units in the Massachusetts Municipal Depository Trust ("MMDT") and the Pension Reserves Investment Trust ("PRIT").

In addition, the Town's trust funds have additional investment powers, most notably the ability to invest in common stocks, corporate bonds and other specified investments.

Cash

The following summary presents the amount of Town deposits which are fully insured or collateralized with securities held by the Town or its agent in the Town's name (Category 1), those deposits which are collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the Town's name (Category 2) and those deposits which are not collateralized (Category 3) at June 30, 1990. The carrying amount of the electric enterprise fund is as of December 31, 1989 which is $3,924,856 more than the carrying amount at June 30, 1990.

	Category			Total Bank Balance	Carrying Amount
	1	2	3		
Bank deposits	12,209,073	-	6,132,365	19,487,265	20,538,921
Petty cash	-	-	-	2,135	2,135
Total cash	13,209,073	-	6,132,365	19,595,638	20,541,056

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Investments

The Town categorizes investments according to the level of risk assumed by the Town. Category 1 includes investments that are insured, registered or held by the Town's agent in the Town's name. Category 2 includes uninsured and unregistered investments held by the counterparty's trust department or agent in the Town's name. Category 3 includes uninsured and unregistered investments held by the counterparty, its trust department or its agent, but not in the Town's name. Investments in MMDT and PRIT, pooled funds, are not categorized. The Town's investments are carried at cost or amortized cost.

	Carrying Amount					
	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Not Categorized	Total	Market Value
Common and preferred stock	$ 4,066	-	-	-	4,066	25,468
Corporate bonds and notes	2,500,471	-	-	-	2,500,471	2,377,125
U.S. Government obligations	4,556,850	-	-	-	4,556,850	4,732,960
U.S. Government agency obligations	778,215	-	5,007	-	783,222	795,476
MMDT	-	-	-	143,665	143,665	143,665
PRIT cash fund	-	-	-	106,265	106,265	106,265
PRIT capital fund	-	-	-	13,491,456	13,491,456	14,390,493
Totals	$ 7,839,602	-	5,007	13,741,386	21,585,995	22,571,452

The composition of the Town's bank recorded deposits and investments fluctuates depending primarily on the timing of real estate tax receipts, proceeds from borrowings, collection of state and federal aid and capital outlays throughout the year.

(6) Pension Plan

(a) Plan Description

The Town contributes to the Town of Reading Retirement System (the "System"), a single employer public employee retirement system that acts as the investment and administrative agent for the Town. Covered payroll for employees participating in the System for the year ended June 30, 1990 was $11,380,000. Public School teachers are covered by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) to which the Town of Reading does not contribute. The amount of contributions made to the TRS on behalf of Reading teachers is not known. The Town's payroll covered by TRS was $10,469,220 for the year ended June 30, 1990. The total payroll for the Town was $24,076,955.

The System and the TRS are contributory defined benefit plans covering town employees and teachers deemed eligible. Certain town employees are covered by the Town's noncontributory pension plan.

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Instituted in 1940, the System is a member of the Massachusetts contributory system and is governed by Chapter 32 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended. Membership in both the System and the TRS is mandatory immediately upon the commencement of employment for all permanent, full-time employees. Current members of the System are categorized as follows:

Active participants:	
Vested employees	177
Nonvested employees	279
	456
Retired participants	293
Total	749

Both systems provide for retirement allowance benefits up to a maximum of 80% of a member's highest three-year average annual rate of regular compensation. Benefit payments are based upon a member's age, length of creditable service, level of compensation and group classification. Members joining the system after January 1, 1979, were subject to a cap of $30,000 on the level of compensation upon which their benefits were calculated. Effective January 1, 1990, the $30,000 salary cap was removed.

Members of both systems become vested after 10 years of creditable service. A retirement allowance may be received upon reaching age 65 or upon attaining 20 years of service. The plan also provides for early retirement at age 55 if the participant (1) has a record of 10 years of creditable service, (2) was on the town payroll on or after January 1, 1978, (3) voluntarily left town employment on or after that date and (4) left accumulated annuity deductions in the fund. In addition, the plan provides for retirement benefits if the participant was employed by the Town prior to January 1, 1978 regardless of the years of creditable service. Active members' contribute either 5%, 7% or 8% of their gross regular compensation depending on the date upon which their membership began and certain employees contribute an additional 2% over $30,000 of annual compensation.

The systems also provide death and disability benefits.

The Light Department's (the "Department") employees are covered by the the System; however, in addition to the Department's portion of System assets, the Department contributes annually to a separate trust for the exclusive benefit of the Department's employees. This trust was established on December 31, 1966 by the Municipal Light Board of the Town pursuant to Chapter 164 of the Massachusetts General Laws.

(b) Significant Accounting Policies and Plan Assets of the System

On June 1, 1988, the System converted its portfolio of stock, fixed income securities and cash to shares in the Pension Reserves Investment Trust Fund (PRIT). PRIT was created in 1984 by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts under Chapter 661 of the Acts of 1983 to serve as the investment portfolio for the assets of state and local retirement

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systems joining PRIT. PRIT is managed by the Pension Reserves Investment Management Board and has been operating since October 1, 1984.

The System is a Participating System in PRIT, and as such, shares in the annual appropriation made to PRIT by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts based upon the System's net assets in PRIT at the beginning of the fiscal year. No appropriation was made to PRIT by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in fiscal 1990. The amount of the fiscal 1991 appropriation is uncertain and is subject to legislative approval.

PRIT consists of two funds, the Capital Fund and the Cash Fund. The Capital Fund serves as the long-term asset portfolio and includes stocks, bonds, money market investments, international investments, real estate and other alternative investments. The Cash Fund consists of short-term investments which are used to meet the System's liquidity requirements.

The allocation of the System's share in PRIT at June 30, 1990 is as follows:

	Number of Shares	Book Value	Market Value
Cash Fund	106,265	$ 106,265	$ 106,265
Capital Fund	11,626,407	13,491,456	14,390,493
Total	11,732,672	$ 13,597,721	$ 14,496,758

The System values its shares at cost.

(c) Funding Status and Progress

The amount shown below as the "pension benefit obligation" for the System is a standardized disclosure measure of the present value of pension benefits, adjusted for the effects of projected salary increases and step-rate benefits, estimated to be payable in the future as a result of employee service to date. The measure is intended to help users assess the funding status of the system on a going-concern basis, assess progress made in accumulating sufficient assets to pay benefits when due, and make comparisons among employers. The measure is the actuarial present value of credited projected benefits and is independent of the funding method used to determine contributions to the system.

The pension benefit obligation was computed as part of an actuarial valuation performed as of June 30, 1990. Significant actuarial assumptions used in the valuation include (a) a rate of return on the investment of present and future assets of 8% a year compounded annually, (b) projected salary increases of 6% a year compounded annually, attributed to inflation and seniority/merit, and (c) no post retirement benefit increases.

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Total unfunded pension benefit obligation of the System at June 30, 1990 is as follows:

Retired members	$ 17,632,000
All other members	15,356,000
Total pension benefit obligation	32,988,000
Net assets available for benefits, at book value (market value of $14,497,000)	13,598,000
Unfunded pension benefit obligation	$ 19,390,000

Additional assets with a market value of $7,090,006 have been set aside in a separate trust by the Light Department for exclusive benefit of the Light Department's employees.

(d) Contribution Requirements and Contribution Made

The Town's contribution to the System was $2,532,364 (24% of current covered payroll). Such contribution was actuarially determined using the entry age normal cost method. The contribution level was calculated using a level percent of future payroll to amortize the unfunded actuarial liability (approximately 40 years). Employee contributions were $752,649 (7% of current covered payroll). The Commonwealth's contribution to the System for COLA's amounted to $293,688.

Contributions made by the Light Department to its Retirement Trust Fund are based upon independent actuarial valuations using an aggregate cost method in which all plan liabilities are funded by normal cost payments under which method there is no separate stated liability for past service costs. The Light Department's contribution to the Trust for the year ended June 30, 1990 was $433,113. Payments made from the Trust to the System for the year ended June 30, 1990 totalled $608,372 which are reflected in total employer contributions stated above.

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(e) Trend Information

Trend information gives an indication of the progress made in accumulating sufficient assets to pay benefits when due. For the three years ended June 30, 1990, 1989, and 1988 available assets were sufficient to fund 42%, 42%, and 34%, respectively, of the pension benefit obligation. Unfunded pension benefit obligation represented 169%, 166%, and 220% of the annual payroll for employees covered by the System for the years ended June 30, 1990, 1989, and 1988, respectively. Showing unfunded pension benefit obligation as a percentage of the annual covered payroll approximately adjusts for the effects of inflation for analysis purposes. In addition, for the three years ended June 30, 1990, 1989, and 1988, employer contributions to the System were 24%, 24%, and 23%, respectively of annual covered payroll. Certain other trend information may be found on pages 35 and 36 of the Town's general purpose financial statements.

(7) Long-Term Obligations

The following is a summary of bond and other long-term obligation transactions of the Town for the year as well as the composition of debt outstanding at June 30, 1990 and 1989 (except for the Electric Enterprise Fund which is as of December 31, 1989 and 1988):

Description	Interest Rates	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance
Bonds:					
General purpose, serial maturities through 1998	4.80% to 7.60%	$ 5,502,000	-	718,000	4,784,000
Electric, serial maturities through 1990	5.20% to 6.00%	160,000	-	130,000	30,000
Schools, serial maturities through 1998	4.75% to 6.37%	1,278,000	-	417,000	861,000
Sewer, serial maturities thorugh 1993	4.80% to 6.00%	265,000	-	205,000	60,000
Water, serial maturities through 1992	10.75%	480,000	-	160,000	320,000
		7,685,000	-	1,630,000	6,055,000
Other long-term obligations:					
Sick leave		647,232	-	11,996	635,236
Pension		-	13,940,000	-	13,940,000
		647,232	13,940,000	11,996	14,575,236
Total long-term obligations		$ 8,332,232	13,940,000	1,641,996	20,630,236

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(7) Long-Term Obligations (Continued)

The annual requirements to amortize all general obligation bonds payable outstanding as of June 30, 1990, including interest, are as follows:

	Principal	Interest	Total
Year ending June 30,			
1991	$ 1,225,000	352,275	1,577,275
1992	945,000	276,600	1,221,600
1993	675,000	215,850	890,850
1994	660,000	176,835	836,835
1995	650,000	138,417	788,417
Thereafter	1,900,000	218,615	2,118,615
	$ 6,055,000	1,378,591	7,433,591

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts has approved school construction asssistance to the Town. The assistance program which is administered by the School Building Assistance Bureau (SBAB) provides resources for future debt service of general obligation school bonds outstanding. These resources are subject to annual appropriation by the State legislature and the Town's compliance with certain reporting requirements. During 1990, the Town received $198,073 of such assistance. Assuming satisfactory audit results and annual appropriations by the State legislature, $26,717 in fiscal year 1991

The Town is subject to a dual level general debt limit; the normal debt limit and the double debt limit. Such limits are equal to 5% and 10%, respectively, of the valuation of taxable property in the Town as last equalized by the Commonwealth's Department of Revenue. Debt may be authorized up to the normal debt limit without state approval. Authorizations under the double debt limit, however, require the approval of the Commonwealth's Emergency Finance Board. Additionally, there are many categories of general obligation debt which are exempt from the debt limit but are subject to other limitations.

The authorized and unissued debt at June 30, 1990 is as follows:

School Projects	$ 632,000
Roadway/Drain construction	360,000
Fire Station	2,500,000
Town Hall/Town Hall Annex	1,500,000
Water System Improvements	550,000
Electric Plant	3,465,000
	$ 9,007,000

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(7) Long-Term Obligations (Continued)

As of June 30, 1989, the Town may issue approximately $65,274,800 of additional general obligation debt under the normal debt limit. The Town has approximately $1,065,000 of debt exempt from the debt limit.

The Town pays assessments which include debt service payments to other local governmental units providing services within the Town's boundaries (commonly referred to as overlapping debt). The primary overlapping debt relates to the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA), Middlesex County and the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (MWRA). The following summary sets forth the long-term debt of each entity at June 30, 1989, the estimated share of such debt being serviced by the Town and the total of its share of estimated indirect debt.

	Long-Term Debt Outstanding (Unaudited)	Town's Estimated Share	Town's Estimated Indirect Debt
MBTA	$ 1,283,765,000	.4957%	$ 6,363,623
MWRA	780,565,957	1.0400	8,117,886
Middlesex County	4,050,000	1.5800	63,990
	$ 2,068,380,957		$ 14,545,499

(8) Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Company

The Light Department of the Town of Reading (the Department) is a Participant in certain Projects of the Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Company (MMWEC), a public corporation and a political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

MMWEC is a coordinating and planning agency for the development of bulk power supply requirements of its Members and Project Participants. MMWEC is authorized to own or purchase ownership interests in, and to issue revenue bonds to finance electric generating facilities (Projects). MMWEC obtains power supply capacity by acquiring interests in various generating units and the operation of its own electric generating facilities. MMWEC sells the capability of each of its Projects to its Members and other utilities (Project Participants) under Power Sales Agreements (PSAs). Among other things, the PSA for each Project requires each Project Participant to pay its share of MMWEC's costs related to the Project which includes debt service on bonds issued by MMWEC to finance the Project, plus 10% of debt service to be paid into a Reserve and Contingency Fund. In addition, should any Project Participant fail to make any payment, other Project Participants may be required to provide additional payments in an

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amount up to 25% of the continuing Participants' payments for the Project. PSA participants have covenanted to fix, revise, and collect rates at least sufficient to meet their obligations under the PSA.

MMWEC also obtains power by entering into contracts to purchase long-term and/or intermediate term power from third parties. This power i resold to members and other utilities under agreements known as Powe Purchase Agreements (PPAs).

The commitments made by participants in both PSAs and PPAs are payable solely from their electric system revenues, and each participant is unconditionally obligated to make payments due to MMWEC whether or not the Project is completed or operating and notwithstanding the suspension or interruption of the output of the Project.

MMWEC's 11.6% joint ownership interest in the Seabrook Station represents a substantial portion of its plant investment and financing programs. On March 1, 1990, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) authorized a full-power operating license for Seabrook Unit 1 (Unit). The Unit began its power ascension testing program March 20, 1990 and on June 30, 1990, the Unit was turned over to NEPOOL for dispatch and at which time it was considered in commercial operation. The testing program is expected to be complete in the third quarter of 1990.

Seabrook Station originally consisted of two 1,150 megawatt nuclear reactors. Unit 2 has been cancelled. Construction of Seabrook Station Unit 1 was completed by New Hampshire Yankee (NH Yankee), which currently is a division of Public Service of New Hampshire (PSNH), the Unit's lead owner, holding 35.6% of the Unit. In October 1986, Seabrook received a 40 year operating license with certain pre-conditions that included NRC approval of radiological emergency response plans. The NRC staff, in August 1989, recommended that full-power license be granted on the basis that adequate and implementable response plans were in place for Massachusetts and New Hampshire. Seabrook Station has experienced persistent and substantial cost increases and significant schedule delays; has been the source of continuing controversy and opposition from government officials, regulators, intervenors and others; and has created financial problems for many of its joint owners, including MMWEC.

In September 1988, the NRC issued a ruling requiring the Seabrook Station joint owners to demonstrate their financial ability to decommission the plant after low-power testing in the event the plant did not obtain a full-power license. In December 1988, the NRC decided on all pending financial qualification questions which were brought to its attention relating to Seabrook. The NRC ruled, among other things, that $72.1 million be provided for decommissioning prior to low-power testing. The joint owners purchased a surety bond and NH Yankee established pre-operational and supplementary trusts to meet the above condition.

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The MMWEC Project Participants, per the Power Sales Agreements, are liable for their proportionate share of the cost of a nuclear incident at a nuclear power plant as outlined in the Price-Andersen Act. Additionally, the Participants are liable for the decommissioning expenses of an operating nuclear unit. Millstone No. 3 and Seabrook Unit 1 decommissioning expenses are funded through monthly billings.

PSNH, as a result of the continued delay in commercial operation of Seabrook Unit 1 and its inability to recover costs of the Unit through rates prior to commercial operation, had been experiencing substantial difficulty in sustaining its financial obligations for its 35.6% share of the Seabrook project. PSNH challenged the constitutionality of New Hampshire's anti-CWIP law, however, the New Hampshire Supreme Court upheld it, thus prohibiting PSNH from billing its customers for Seabrook related costs until the commercial operation of the Unit. This decision effectively barred approval of PSNH's emergency rate relief request. Shortly thereafter, PSNH filed for protection from its creditors under Chapter 11 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code.

The Bankruptcy Court administering the reorganization of PSNH allowed reorganization plans to be filed. After hearings on the disclosure statements associated with the plans, PSNH, the State of New Hampshire, various Bankruptcy Creditors and Equity Committees and others agreed to and joined in sponsoring the reorganization plan submitted by Northeast Utilities (NU/PSNH Plan) to acquire PSNH, including Seabrook Station. Hearings on confirmation of the NU/PSNH Plan were held in the fall and winter of 1989/1990, and the court approved the Plan on April 20, 1990. Implementation of the Plan is conditioned on a number of events, including approvals by the FERC and SEC. FERC hearings began August 6, 1990; the SEC has not yet scheduled any hearings. MMWEC, along with a number of other New England utilities, both public and private, objected to the NU/PSNH merger at both the FERC and SEC. Primarily because the merger is anticompetitive, especially as it effects transmission access and generation costs.

On June 1, 1988, MMWEC's Board of Directors adopted a strategic plan of action relating to its Seabrook joint ownership interests. The plan of action evidenced, among other things, an intention to drawdown funds previously paid and not to pay any future direct obligations to the Seabrook project. MMWEC's prepayments were exhausted on or about July 24, 1988. The Connecticut Light and Power Company, in exchange for a power sales arrangement with other joint owners, and through additional payments, furnished funds to the Seabrook Project in lieu of MMWEC's payments, for the July 24, to November 30, 1988 period. As part of a Comprehensive Seabrook Settlement, the Connecticut Light and Power Company released any claims it may have had against MMWEC as a result of making payments to the Seabrook Project.

On November 4, 1988, MMWEC and PSNH entered into a Memorandum of Understanding whereby MMWEC continued its full ownership in Seabrook Station and further agreed to execute a Settlement Agreement. Upon the

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Effective Date, August 1, 1989, the Memorandum and the Settlement Agreement provided, among other things, that all notices of default were rescinded and covenants not to sue among the major joint owners of Seabrook were effective. The Settlement Agreement required PSNH to be responsible for MMWEC's portion of the Seabrook Station pre-operational costs, commencing December 1, 1988 to the commercial operation of the unit or up to $30 million, whichever came first.

Other terms of the Settlement Agreement are:

- MMWEC must make up any shortfalls (funds owed after the $30 million is exhausted) within seven days after the Unit is turned over to NEPOOL for dispatch or cancelled.

- Seabrook joint owners have the right to obtain equitable relief, but not to reduce MMWEC's ownership share, after 60 days written notice to MMWEC for nonpayment, before NEPOOL dispatch or cancellation.

- PSNH paid MMWEC $3.5 million on the effective date of the Agreement.

- PSNH must pay MMWEC $2 million per year for 8 years upon commercial operation of the Unit.

- The Sellback Agreement between MMWEC and PSNH was cancelled. The Sellback Agreement called for PSNH to purchase certain amounts of Seabrook capacity from MMWEC at cost.

- MMWEC's Pt. Lepreau transmission contract was extended until October 31, 1995.

- MMWEC's exposure for decommissioning and cancellation costs was capped at $10 million.

The PSNH Bankruptcy court accepted the Comprehensive Seabrook Settlement on April 14, 1989. PSNH made all construction payments for MMWEC until early May 1990, when the $30 million was exhausted. The Seabrook Unit was turned over to NEPOOL for dispatch on June 30, 1990 and MMWEC made all catchup payments as required by the Settlement Agreement on July 2, 1990.

The Vermont Department of Public Service (VDPS) brought an action against MMWEC in a Superior Court of Vermont in October 1985 challenging the validity of the Project No. 6 PSAs entered into by the Vermont Participants. In November 1986, the Superior Court Judge ruled that the PSAs for Project No. 6 between MMWEC and several consumer-owned utilities in Vermont were valid under Vermont law. The ruling rejected contentions by the VDPS and Vermont Electric Cooperative and the contracts were invalid and, therefore, not binding agreements. The plaintiffs appealed this ruling to the Vermont Supreme Court, which heard arguments in April 1987. In September 1988, the Vermont Supreme Court ruled that the Project No. 6 PSAs with the Vermont utilities were

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not valid since inception (void ab initio) because inter alia, the utilities lacked the statutory authority to enter into the contracts and to delegate certain authority to MMWEC. Subsequent to the Vermont Supreme Court ruling, MMWEC filed a motion requesting the court to grant a rehearing and allow oral arguments on several issues, including potential violations of the U.S. Constitution and allegations that MMWEC's claims were not adequately addressed in the court's decision. In January 1989, the Vermont Supreme Court denied MMWEC's motion for a rehearing and MMWEC filed a writ of certiorari with the United States Supreme Court to review the Vermont Supreme Court decision. The writ of certiorari was denied in October 1989.

The Vermont Supreme Court decision resulted in the Vermont municipal Project No. 6 Participants ceasing to make their payments to MMWEC. The Vermont Electric Cooperative and Washington Electric Cooperative of Vermont had already stopped making payments in January 1986 and 1988, respectively. Shortfalls in the Project No. 6 revenues are being made up from available funds within the project. The default by the Vermont Participants and Eastern Maine Electric Cooperative resulted in a reallocation of the Project No. 6 capability and liabilities in accordance with the PSA.

Inasmuch as the Stony Brook Intermediate Project has approximately 8.2% of Project Capability under PSAs with Vermont entities, which PSAs are virtually identical to the Project No. 6 PSA, the Vermont Supreme Court decision on the Project No. 6 PSA could apply equally to the Stony Brook Intermediate PSA in light of the Vermont Supreme Court Decision. MMWEC is seeking a declaration of the validity of the Stony Brook Intermediate PSA, as well s the curative legislation, in the matter of MMWEC v. State of Vermont et al, currently pending in the Superior Court in Washington County, Vermont.

The Vermont Supreme Court decision declaring the Project No. 6 Vermont Participants' contracts void ab initio, caused certain Massachusetts Project No. 6 Participants to raise issues relating to the validity of the Project No. 6 PSAs, alleging among other things that 100% participation in the PSAs is a condition precedent to the validity of the Project PSAs. In April 1989, the Hingham Municipal Lighting Plan and the Shrewsbury Electric Light Plan both filed identical but separate actions in the Superior Court of Suffolk County in Massachusetts. The primary basis for the complaints is whether the Project No. 6 PSAs are valid and binding as to them, since as alleged in the complaints, a condition precedent to the validity of all the Project No. 6 PSAs is 100% condition precedent to the validity of all the Project no. 6 PSAs is 100% participation in said Agreement, and if the Vermont Participants' contracts are void ab initio, then this condition precedent has not been met. Further, the complaints alleged that any increase in Project No. 6 billings as a result of the nonpayment by the Vermont Project No. 6 Participants' contracts are void ab initio, then this condition precedent has not been met. Further, the complaints alleged that any increase in Project No. 6

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billings as a result of the nonpayment by the Vermont Project No. 6 Participants is unlawful on the basis that the Project No. 6 PSAs failed to have 100% participation and MMWEC's use of Project No. 6 funds to cover the shortfall in receipts constitutes a breach of the PSAs. Five other Massachusetts Project No. 6 Participants filed similar complaints in Suffolk County Superior Court.

In April 1989, MMWEC filed an original action in the Supreme Judicial Court for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts against two Massachusetts Project No. 6 Participants. A single justice of the Court accepted MMWEC's motion to have the Court transfer to the Supreme Judicial Court the other Project No. 6 Participant cases pending in the Superior Court. Furthermore, the justice granted MMWEC's request for two preliminary injunctions, ordering the non-paying Participants to pay their obligations. MMWEC also filed a Motion for Summary Judgement with the Single Justice who allowed for discovery to take place prior to scheduling a hearing on the summary judgement motions. The Danvers, Hudson and Peabody Light departments filed a motion asking the justice to recuse himself due to a potential conflict, which he did in January 1990, sending the case back to the Suffolk County Superior Court, where the case currently presides. On August 10, 1990 Hudson and Peabody filed a motion for partial summary judgement on the 100% participation and step-up issues. The court has indicated that it is not prepared to address, at this time, summary judgement issues. At a prehearing conference on July 24, the court scheduled for August 21, the filing of memoranda to help determine whether the court should first address the potential conflict of interest of an attorney representing seven of the municipals, before any motions for summary judgement are hear. The court also requested filings to be made on September 11 to address the extent of those attorneys involvement.

On July 17, 1990, after receiving the July Project No. 6 billings, which included Seabrook operating and maintenance costs, Hudson and Peabody filed a motion to amend the injunction requiring them to pay Project No. 6 costs. The light departments asked that the part of the operating costs attributable to the Vermont Participants be placed into escrow pending final outcome of the litigation. On July 20, 1990, the court denied the motion.

The Town of Hudson Light & Power Department and the City of Peabody Municipal Light Plant filed a lawsuit against MMWEC in November 1988, which among other things, sought to enjoin the MMWEC Board of Directors from acting upon the Memorandum of Understanding. In November 1988, the Massachusetts Superior Court denied the Hudson/Peabody injunction request, which denial was upheld by the Massachusetts Appeals Court. In December 1988, the Town of Hudson Light & Power Department and the City of Peabody Municipal Light Plan amended their complaint against MMWEC to include challenges to the validity of the Project No. 6 PSA on the 100% participation issue, as previously discussed within the context of the Vermont Supreme Court decision. MMWEC moved to compel

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arbitration of this dispute and the Superior Court granted MMWEC's motion in accordance with the terms of the PSAs. The arbitration is currently on hold pending the outcome of the cases discussed above.

In March 1989, Washington Electric Cooperative of Vermont (WEC) filed suit against MMWEC in the Washington County Superior Court in Vermont for restitution of payments made to MMWEC under the Project No. 6 PSAs. WEC received an ex parte trustee process against other Vermont utilities which are making payments under MMWEC's Stony Brook Intermediate Unit contracts. MMWEC removed this case to the United States District Court for the District of Vermont, where hearings were held and an order was issued to dissolve the trustee process contingent on MMWEC giving notice of any intent to take away the Vermont Participants' Intermediate Unit capacity.

On July 31, 1989, MMWEC filed an action against certain directors, managers and attorneys of the WEC for misrepresentation. These third party defendants have moved to dismiss the claims. In November 1989, the VDPS moved to intervene in this case and filed a claim of $6.2 million for restitution of all Vermont Project No. 6 participant payments. In March 1990 the Federal District Court, pursuant to MMWEC's motion, dismissed the VDPS's intervention in the case. The VDPS has appealed the decision to the Second Circuit Court of Appeals. Briefs have been filed on the appeal, and the case is scheduled for argument on September 13, 1990. The Federal District Court has stayed all actions in the WEC case pending the appeal.

Eastern Maine Electric Cooperative (EMEC), a Participant in MMWEC's Project No. 6, did not make its June 1987 payment and filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code in August 1987. In its petition, EMEC asked the court to reject its contract with MMWEC. In October 1988, EMEC's petition for rejection of the contract was denied by the U.S. Bankruptcy Court. The judge concluded that MMWEC has a valid claim against EMEC stemming from EMEC's default under the contract prior to EMEC entering into Chapter 11. MMWEC has formally filed a claim in the proceedings for the money it is owed. EMEC responded to the claim with a counterclaim alleging, among other things, that its Project No. 6 PSA with MMWEC is void as a result of the Vermont Supreme Court decision. A trial scheduled for January 1990 was postponed as the two parties agreed to discuss settlement. EMEC's counsel unilaterally filed a settlement agreement with the court, which would allow MMWEC to recover up to $15 million on its $30-plus million claims against EMEC. MMWEC has objected to the agreement. On May 10, 1990, the court approved the settlement of the claims. MMWEC has appealed the decision to the Federal District Court in Maine, where this appeal is still pending. On July 2, 1990, EMEC filed an amended plan of reorganization based on the court-ordered settlement. On August 7, 1990, MMWEC filed its own plan of reorganization.

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In January 1986, the Hull Municipal Lighting Plant filed suit against MMWEC seeking a declaration that its PSA for Nuclear Mix 1, Nuclear Projects Nos. 4 and 5 and Project No. 6 relating to Seabrook were invalid, and an injunction against MMWEC collecting any amounts from Hull under the agreements and monetary damages. The suit challenges the validity of these PSA on various grounds and alleges, among other things, various misrepresentations, breaches and imprudencies by MMWEC. On March 5, 1986, the Massachusetts Superior Court granted MMWEC's motions to stay the legal proceedings and compel arbitration of the suit and for a preliminary injunction requiring Hull to pay its share of monthly power costs as required by the PSAs. On March 21, 1986, a single justice of the Massachusetts Appeals Court denied Hull's petition for relief from the orders of the Superior Court, and the matter went to arbitration. The Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court subsequently took the case and issued an opinion upholding the injunction. In August 1987, the arbitrator ruled that the contracts signed by Hull's light board with MMWEC were valid. The arbitrator has yet to rule on the other alleged breaches, imprudencies and misrepresentations claimed against MMWEC by Hull. After withholding payments, Hull is currently making payments, under protest, in accordance with the court order. After a hiatus in the case, a new arbitrator was agreed to in January 1990. Depositions have resumed, and are scheduled for completion in late August 1990.

As of June 30, 1990, total capital expenditures amounted to $1,465,898,000, of which $103,395,000 represents the amount attributable to the Department. Debt outstanding for the Projects included Power Supply System Revenue bonds totaling $1,427,185,000, of which $106,854,000 is attributable to the Power Sales Agreements of the Department. As of June 30, 1990, the total future debt service requirement on outstanding Bonds issued for Projects under construction is $3,897,809,000, of which $237,011,000 is attributable to the Department.

As of June 30, 1990, the Town of Reading's potential liability is not known.

Reading Light Department has entered into power purchase contracts or Power Sales Agreements with MMWEC. Under these agreements, the Department is required to make capacity or debt service payments to MMWEC. The aggregate amount of such required payments, exclusive of Reserve and Contingency Fund billings, on Bonds outstanding and significant power purchase contracts through MMWEC at June 30, 1990 is shown below.

	Annual Cost
For the years ended June 30,	
1991	$ 13,275,000
1992	14,137,000
1993	14,722,000
1994	13,270,000
1995	11,040,000
Later fiscal years	187,131,000
	$ 253,575,000

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In addition, the Light Department is required to pay its share of the operation and maintenance costs of the units in which they participate. The Light Department's total operation and maintenance costs under the agreements were $19,987,000 and $21,010,000 for the years ended June 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively.

(9) Temporary Borrowings

Under state law and by authorization of the Board of Selectmen, the Town is authorized to borrow on a temporary basis to fund the following:

- Current operating costs prior to the collection of revenues through issuance of revenue or tax anticipation notes (RANS or TANS).
- Capital project costs incurred prior to obtaining permanent financing through issuance of bond anticipation notes (BANS).
- Federal and state aided capital projects and other program expenditures prior to receiving reimbursement through issuance of Federal and state aid anticipation notes (FANs and SANs).

Temporary loans are general obligations of the Town and carry maturity dates which are limited by statute. Interest expenditures for temporary borrowings were approximately $22,766 and are accounted for in the General Fund. At June 30, 1990, $4,120,000 of 6.22% to 6.75% BANS maturing in 1991 were outstanding. Such notes have been classified as long-term obligations because the Town has the intent and ability to refinance on a long-term basis.

(10) Interfund Receivable and Payable Balances

Individual fund interfund receivable and payable balances at June 30, 1990 (except for the Electric Enterprise Fund which is as of December 31, 1989) were:

Fund	Interfund Receivables	Interfund Payables
General Fund	$ -	5,074,646
Special Revenue Funds:		
School Funds	222,965	-
Sale of Real Estate Fund	1,845,842	-
Other Funds	179,677	-
Capital Projects Funds:		
Fire Station Facility Fund	397,312	-
High School Field House Roof Fund	9,691	-
Town Hall Complex Improvements Fund	11,693	-
High School Transformers Fund	52,112	-
School Asbestos Removal Fund	11,692	-
Enterprise Funds:		
Water Fund	893,609	-
Sewer Fund	539,281	-
Fiduciary Funds:		
Employee Retirement Trust Fund	-	2,718
Nonexpendable Trust Funds	994,779	-
Expendable Trust Funds	-	990,993
Agency Funds	129,704	-
	$ 5,288,357	6,068,357

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(11) Operating Transfers

Operating transfers constitute the transfer of resources from the fund that receives the resources to the fund that utilizes them. The following table summarizes operating transfers for the year ended June 30, 1990, except for the electric enterprise fund which is for the year ended December 31, 1989.

	Transfers In (Out)						
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Electric Enterprise	Water and Sewer Enterprise	Expendable Trusts	Nonexpenable Trusts
Purpose of operating transfer:							
Sale of real estate fund	$ 1,192,404	(1,192,404)	-	-	-	-	-
Special revenue fund	168	(168)	-	-	-	-	-
Cemetary sale of lots	43,500	(43,500)	-	-	-	-	-
Capital project	3,145	-	(3,145)	-	-	-	-
Electric earnings distribution	1,250,000	-	-	(1,250,000)	-	-	-
Water operations indirect cost	28,784	-	-	-	(28,784)	-	-
Sewer operations indirect cost	28,012	-	-	-	(28,012)	-	-
Cemetary perpetual care	61,000	-	-	-	-	(61,000)	-
Worker compensation trust	(200,000)	-	-	(68,161)	(30,710)	298,871	-
Pension trust (electric)	-	-	-	(433,113)	-	433,113	-
Investment income	-	-	-	-	-	87,594	(87,594)
	$ 2,407,013	(1,236,072)	(3,145)	(1,751,274)	(87,506)	758,578	(87,594)

(12) Contingencies

Numerous lawsuits are pending or threatened against the Town, which arose from the ordinary course of operations, including actions commenced and claims asserted against it for property damage and personal injury, breaches of contract, condemnation proceedings and other alleged violations of law. The outcome of lawsuits is not expected to materially affect the financial condition of the Town.

(13) Property, Plant and Equipment

A summary of property, plant and equipment by major category is as follows:

	Water and Sewer June 30, 1990	Electric Light Department (December 31, 1989)
Land	$ 254,631	279,201
Plant and buildings	3,475,964	6,080,960
Lines	8,823,302	-
Equipment and fixtures	1,318,491	26,105,795
	13,872,388	32,465,956
Less accumulated depreciation	4,027,107	15,613,613
	$ 9,845,281	16,852,343

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(14) Deferred Compensation Plan

The Town offers its employees a deferred compensation plan created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 457. The Plan, available to all Town employees, permits them to defer a portion of their salary until future years. The deferred compensation is not available to employees until termination, retirement, death, or unforeseeable emergency.

All amounts of compensation deferred under the Plan, all property and rights purchased with those amounts, and all income attributable to those amounts, property, or rights are (until paid or made available to the employee or other beneficiary) solely the property and rights of the Town (without being restricted to the provisions of benefits under the plan), subject only to the claims of the Town's general creditors. Participants' rights under the Plan are equal to those of general creditors of the Town in an amount equal to the fair market value of the deferred account for each Participant.

(15) Risk Management

The Town has a limited risk management program for workers' compensation insurance. Premiums are paid into the worker compensation fund from the general and enterprise funds and are available to pay claims and administrative expenses. Payments for claims and administrative expenses totalling $379,270 were made during the year ended June 30, 1990. An excess coverage insurance policy covers claims in excess of $200,000 per occurrence.

(16) Segment Information - Water and Sewer Funds

Financial segment information as of and for the year ended June 30, 1990 is presented below:

	Water	Sewer	Total
Operating revenues	$ 1,773,395	1,820,104	3,593,499
Depreciation expense	208,755	183,154	391,909
Operating income	432,070	(50,558)	381,512
Net income	354,407	100,581	454,988
Property, plant and equipment additions	337,848	26,295	364,143
Net working capital	1,644,170	1,312,774	2,956,944
Total assets	5,850,936	7,100,465	12,951,401
Bonds payable	320,000	60,000	380,000
Total equity	5,398,567	6,979,340	12,377,907

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(17) Postemployment Health Benefits

In addition to the pension benefits described in Note 6, the Town provides postemployment health care benefits, in accordance with State statutes and Town policy, to all employees who retire from the Town. Currently 405 retirees, medicare eligible spouses and surviving spouses meet those eligibility requirements. The Town pays 50% of the premiums for medical and hospitalization insurance incurred by pre-Medicare retirees and their dependents. The Town also pays 50% of the premiums for a Medicare supplement for each retiree eligible for Medicare and 50% of the insurance premiums for said retiree's dependents. The total cost for the year ended June 30, 1990 was approximately $543,000.

TOWN OF READING RETIREMENT SYSTEM

Required Supplementary Information

Analysis of Funding Progress
(in thousands)

(Unaudited - See accompanying independent auditors' report)

Fiscal year	(1) Net assets available for benefits*	(2) Pension benefit obligation	(3) Percentage funded (1)/(2)	(4) Unfunded pension benefit obligation (2)-(1)	(5) Annual covered payroll	(6) Unfunded pension benefit obligation as a percentage of covered payroll (4)/(5)
1987	$ 10,195	$ 29,941	34.1%	$ 19,746	$ 8,690	227.2%
1988	10,211	30,468	33.5	20,257	9,211	219.9
1989	11,703	28,081	41.7	16,377	9,880	165.8
1990(A)	13,598	32,988	41.6	19,281	11,380	169.4

Isolated analysis of the dollar amounts of net assets available for benefits, pension benefit obligation, and unfunded pension benefit obligation can be misleading. Expressing the net assets available for benefits as a percentage of the pension benefit obligation provides one indication of the Town's funding status on a going-concern basis. Analysis of this percentage over time indicates whether the system is becoming financially stronger or weaker. Generally, the greater this percentage, the stronger the PERS. Trends in unfunded pension benefit obligation and annual covered payroll are both affected by inflation. Expressing the unfunded pension benefit obligation as a percentage of annual covered payroll approximately adjusts for the effects of inflation and aid analysis of the progress made in accumulating sufficient assets to pay benefits when due. Generally, the smaller this percentage, the stronger the Public Employee Retirement System.

* Net assets are presented at book value.

(A) On January 1, 1990 the $30,000 salary cap was lifted. This effected the calculation of pension benefits for certain employees.

Note: Generally accepted accounting principles require 10 years of actuarial data, if available. Such data prior to 1987 is not available.

TOWN OF READING RETIREMENT SYSTEM

Required Supplementary Information

Revenues by Source and Expenses by Type

(Unaudited - See accompanying independent auditors' report)

Revenues by Source

Fiscal Year	Employee Contributions	Employer Contributions	State Contributions	Investment Income	Total
1981	$ 349,757	$ 875,133	$ -	$ 423,861	$ 1,648,751
1982	346,936	925,446	-	495,914	1,768,296
1983	403,945	1,138,364	-	572,221	2,114,530
1984	432,034	1,349,957	-	635,139	2,417,130
1985	506,387	1,508,004	8,283	786,422	2,809,096
1986	507,242	1,665,046	243,416	1,265,455	3,681,159
1987	534,077	1,721,134	200,795	1,324,085	3,780,091
1988	596,516	2,071,634	246,422	(265,115)	2,649,457
1989	679,616	2,411,833	281,659	846,072	4,219,180
1990	752,649	2,532,364	293,688	1,166,672	4,745,373

Expenses by Type

Fiscal Year	Benefits	Administrative Expenses	Refunds	Total
1981	1,056,826	17,468	22,517	1,096,811
1982	1,193,707	25,508	51,405	1,270,620
1983	1,446,344	30,589	80,530	1,557,463
1984	1,627,113	27,268	102,015	1,756,396
1985	1,749,096	27,098	111,026	1,887,220
1986	2,012,597	29,561	135,060	2,177,218
1987	2,208,530	37,705	145,742	2,391,977
1988	2,374,561	47,595	142,985	2,565,141
1989	2,635,980	43,454	68,116	2,747,550
1990	2,593,977	35,152	96,382	2,725,511

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS

Combining Balance Sheet

Special Revenue Funds

June 30, 1990

Assets	School Funds	Sale of Real Estate Fund	Other Funds	Totals
Cash and short-term investments	$ 44,614	-	31,545	76,159
Due from other funds	222,965	1,845,842	179,677	2,248,484
Total assets	$ 267,579	1,845,842	211,222	2,324,643
Liabilities and Fund Balances				
Liabilities:				
Warrants payable	$ 44,614	-	31,545	76,159
Accrued payroll payable	7,482	-	-	7,482
Deposit	-	50,000	-	50,000
Total liabilities	52,096	50,000	31,545	133,641
Fund balances:				
Reserved for subsequent years' expenditures	-	1,300,000	40,000	1,340,000
Unreserved	215,483	495,842	139,677	851,002
Total fund balances	215,483	1,795,842	179,677	2,191,002
Total liabilities and fund balances	$ 267,579	1,845,842	211,222	2,324,643

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS

Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

Special Revenue Funds

Year ended June 30, 1990

	School Funds	Sale of Real Estate Funds	Other Funds	Totals
Revenues:				
Charges for services	$ 640,321	-	312,830	953,151
Intergovernmental	702,781	-	59,331	762,112
Investment income	-	3,109	332	3,441
Other	20,859	242	65,093	86,194
Total revenues	1,363,961	3,351	437,586	1,804,898
Expenditures:				
General government	-	-	11,388	11,388
Public safety	-	-	187,635	187,635
Education	1,552,905	-	-	1,552,905
Public works and facilities	-	-	1,825	1,825
Human services	-	-	23,872	23,872
Culture and recreation	-	-	79,345	79,345
Total expenditures	1,552,905	-	304,065	1,856,970
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(188,944)	3,351	133,521	(52,072)
Other financing sources (uses):				
Operating transfers in (out)	-	(1,192,404)	(43,668)	(1,236,072)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over expenditures and other uses	(188,944)	(1,189,053)	89,853	(1,288,144)
Fund balances, beginning of year	404,427	2,984,895	89,824	3,479,146
Fund balances, end of year	$ 215,483	1,795,842	179,677	2,191,002

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS

Combining Balance Sheet

Capital Projects Funds

June 30, 1990

Assets	Town Hall Complex Improvements Fund	Fire Station Facility Fund	High School Transformers Fund	High School Field House Roof Fund	School Asbestos Removal Fund	Totals
Cash and short-term investments	$ -	28,520	-	-	52	28,572
Due from other funds	11,693	397,312	52,112	9,691	11,692	482,500
Total assets	$ 11,693	425,832	52,112	9,691	11,744	511,072
Liabilities and Fund Balances						
Liabilities:						
Warrants and accounts payable	$ -	121,478	-	-	52	121,530
Fund balances:						
Reserved for encumbrances	11,693	304,354	52,112	9,691	11,692	389,542
Total liabilities and fund balances	$ 11,693	425,832	52,112	9,691	11,744	511,072

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS

Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

Capital Projects Funds

Year ended June 30, 1990

	Town Hall Complex Improvements Fund	Fire Station Facility Fund	Municipal Building Space Fund	Downtown Improvement Fund	High School Transformers Fund	High School Field House Fund	School Asbestos Removal Fund	School Administration Office Fund	Joshua Eaton School Roof Fund	Totals
Expenditures:										
Capital outlays	$ 1,370,302	1,850,329	-	20,802	187,088	6,211	183,308	175,000	4,922	3,797,962
Other financing sources (uses):										
Proceeds of general obligation notes and bonds	1,300,000	2,127,000	-	-	-	-	195,000	175,000	-	3,797,000
Operating transfers in (out)	-	-	(3,145)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(3,145)
Total other financing sources (uses)	1,300,000	2,127,000	(3,145)	-	-	-	195,000	175,000	-	3,793,855
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over expenditures and other uses	(70,302)	276,671	(3,145)	(20,802)	(187,088)	(6,211)	11,692	-	(4,922)	(4,107)
Fund balances, beginning of year	81,995	27,683	3,145	20,802	239,200	15,902	-	-	4,922	393,649
Fund balances, end of year	$ 11,693	304,354	-	-	52,112	9,691	11,692	-	-	389,542

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS

Combining Balance Sheet

Water and Sewer Enterprise Funds

June 30, 1990

Assets	Water Fund	Sewer Fund	Totals
Cash and short-term investments	$ 63,401	5,676	69,077
Receivables (net of allowances for uncollectibles):			
Tax liens	33,031	21,869	54,900
User charges	715,130	725,109	1,440,239
Special assessments	2,400	26,515	28,915
Due from other funds	893,609	539,281	1,432,890
Inventory	76,419	3,680	80,099
Property, plant and equipment (net of accumulated depreciation)	4,066,946	5,778,335	9,845,281
Total assets	$ 5,850,936	7,100,465	12,951,401
Liabilities and Fund Equity			
Liabilities:			
Warrants and accounts payable	$ 63,401	5,676	69,077
Compensated absences payable	19,074	6,136	25,210
Deferred revenue	35,561	48,493	84,054
Accrued interest on bonds payable	14,333	820	15,153
Bonds payable	320,000	60,000	380,000
Total liabilities	452,369	121,125	573,494
Fund equity:			
Municipal contributed capital	1,663,391	4,317,487	5,980,878
Retained earnings:			
Reserved	3,583,696	2,337,307	5,921,003
Unreserved	151,480	324,546	476,026
Total fund equity	5,398,567	6,979,340	12,377,907
Total liabilities and fund equity	$ 5,850,936	7,100,465	12,951,401

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS

Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Equity

Water and Sewer Enterprise Funds

Year ended June 30, 1990

	Water Fund	Sewer Fund	Totals
Operating revenues:			
Charges for services	$ 1,773,395	1,820,104	3,593,499
Special assessments	-	9,385	9,385
Total operating revenues	1,773,395	1,829,489	3,602,884
Operating expenses:			
Personal services	488,853	71,360	560,213
Fringe benefits	143,910	74,603	218,513
Energy purchases	123,819	12,994	136,813
Intergovernmental	-	1,260,326	1,260,326
Depreciation	208,755	183,154	391,909
Other	375,988	277,610	653,598
Total operating expenses	1,341,325	1,880,047	3,221,372
Operating income	432,070	(50,558)	381,512
Nonoperating revenues (expenses):			
Operating grant	-	169,950	169,950
Interest income	14,622	26,715	41,337
Interest expense	(44,433)	(5,872)	(50,305)
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	(29,811)	190,793	160,982
Income before operating transfers	402,259	140,235	542,494
Operating transfers out	(47,852)	(39,654)	(87,506)
Net income	354,407	100,581	454,988
Fund equity, beginning of year	5,044,160	6,878,759	11,922,919
Fund equity, end of year	$ 5,398,567	6,979,340	12,377,907

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS

Combining Statement of Cash Flows

Water and Sewer Enterprise Funds

Year ended June 30, 1989

	Water Fund	Sewer Fund	Totals
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Operating income	$ 432,070	(50,558)	381,512
Adjustments to reconcile net operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation	208,755	183,154	391,909
Changes in assets and liabilities:			
(Increase) in account receivables (net)	(21,192)	(11,423)	(32,615)
(Increase) in due from other funds	(45,155)	(9,369)	(54,524)
Decrease in inventory	53,593	1,263	54,856
(Decrease) in warrants and accounts payable	(32,842)	(69,020)	(101,862)
(Decrease) in compensated absences payable	(13,735)	(2,628)	(16,363)
Increase (decrease) in deferred revenues	7,192	(2,577)	4,615
Net cash provided by operating activities	588,686	38,842	627,528
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities:			
Operating grants received	-	169,950	169,950
Operating transfers out to other funds	(47,852)	(39,654)	(87,506)
Net cash used by noncapital financing activities	(47,852)	130,296	82,444
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:			
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	(337,848)	(26,295)	(364,143)
Principal payments - bonds	(160,000)	(205,000)	(365,000)
Interest paid on bonds	(51,600)	(9,380)	(60,980)
Net cash used for capital and related financing activities	(549,448)	(240,675)	(790,123)
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Interest on investments	14,622	26,715	41,337
Net increase (decrease) in cash	6,008	(44,822)	(38,814)
Cash, beginning of year	57,393	50,498	107,891
Cash, end of year	$ 63,401	5,676	69,077

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS

Combining Balance Sheet

Fiduciary Funds

June 30, 1990

Assets	Employee Retirement Trust Fund	Nonexpendable Trust Funds	Expendable Trust Funds	Agency Funds	Totals
Cash and short-term investments	$ 13,615,336	-	11,288,282	7,512	24,911,130
Investments with fiscal agents, at market	-	-	-	694,604	694,604
Receivables:					
Due from state	110,472	-	-	-	110,472
Education loans	-	7,750	-	-	7,750
Due from other funds	-	994,779	-	129,704	1,124,483
Total assets	$ 13,725,808	1,002,529	11,288,282	831,820	26,848,439
Liabilities and Fund Balances					
Liabilities:					
Warrants payable	$ -	-	16,426	7,512	23,938
Other liabilities	-	-	-	129,704	129,704
Due to other funds	2,718	-	990,993	-	993,711
Deferred compensation	-	-	-	694,604	694,604
Total liabilities	2,718	-	1,007,419	831,820	1,841,957
Fund balances:					
Reserved for:					
Subsequent years' expenditures	-	-	77,082	-	77,082
Endowments	-	1,002,529	-	-	1,002,529
Employees retirement system	13,723,090	-	-	-	13,723,090
Unreserved	-	-	10,203,781	-	10,203,781
Total fund balances	13,723,090	1,002,529	10,280,863	-	25,006,482
Total liabilities and fund balances	$ 13,725,808	1,002,529	11,288,282	831,820	26,848,439

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS

Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

Expendable Trust Funds

Year ended June 30, 1990

	Municipal Light Pension Fund	Worker Compensation Fund	Other Expendable Trust Funds	Totals
Revenues:				
Investment income	$ 557,939	12,613	281,192	851,744
Expenditures:				
General government	-	-	146	146
Education	-	-	1,400	1,400
Public works and facilities	-	-	8,500	8,500
Human services	-	-	31,860	31,860
Employee benefits	608,372	379,270	-	987,642
Total expenditures	608,372	379,270	41,906	1,029,548
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	(50,433)	(366,657)	239,286	(177,804)
Other financing sources (uses):				
Operating transfers in (out)	433,113	298,871	26,594	758,578
Excess of revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures and other uses	382,680	(67,786)	265,880	580,774
Fund balances, beginning of year	6,863,880	110,641	2,725,568	9,700,089
Fund balances, end of year	$ 7,246,560	42,855	2,991,448	10,280,863

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS

Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

Employee Retirement Trust and Nonexpendable Trust Funds

Year ended June 30, 1990

	Employee Retirement Trust Fund	Nonexpendable Trust Funds	Totals
Operating revenues:			
Investment income	$ 1,166,672	87,591	1,254,263
Contributions	3,578,701	-	3,578,701
Gifts	-	121,175	121,175
	4,745,373	208,766	4,954,139
Operating expenses:			
Personal services	30,054	-	30,054
Benefit payments	2,593,977	-	2,593,977
Refunds	96,382	-	96,382
Other	5,098	-	5,098
Total operating expenses	2,725,511	-	2,725,511
Income before operating transfers	2,019,862	208,766	2,228,628
Operating transfers in (out)	-	(87,594)	(87,594)
Net income	2,019,862	121,172	2,141,034
Fund balances, beginning of year	11,703,228	881,357	12,584,585
Fund balances, end of year	$ 13,723,090	$ 1,002,529	$ 14,725,619

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS

GENERAL FUND

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES AND ENCUMBRANCES, COMPARED TO BUDGET (CASH BASIS)

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1990

SCHEDULE 1

	BUDGET (REVISED)	EXPENDITURES	ENCUMBERED	UNENCUMBERED BALANCE
	$	$	$	$
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	1,991,159	1,852,818	48,608	89,733
PUBLIC SAFETY	4,153,864	4,093,264	48,027	12,573
EDUCATION	15,212,714	14,888,494	312,113	12,107
PUBLIC WORKS AND FACILITIES	3,150,385	2,963,576	169,801	17,008
HUMAN SERVICES	290,323	268,435	12,250	9,638
CULTURE AND RECREATION	570,056	556,139	3,028	10,889
DEBT SERVICE	1,542,159	1,541,925		234
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	4,193,687	4,136,730	1,050	55,907
INTERGOVERNMENTAL	609,968	613,834		(3,866)
	$	$	$	$
	31,714,315	30,915,215	594,877	204,223

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS
GENERAL FUND
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES AND ENCUMBRANCES, COMPARED TO BUDGET (CASH BASIS)
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1990

SCHEDULE 1

	BUDGET (REVISED)	EXPENDITURES	ENCUMBERED	UNENCUMBERED BALANCE
	$	$	$	$
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:				
SELECTMEN:				
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	9,600	8,687	350	563
TOWN MANAGER:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	61,355	61,355		
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	5,300	5,300		
GENERAL SERVICES:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	118,095	112,578		5,517
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	73,075	69,768	2,612	695
FINANCE COMMITTEE:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	2,000	1,425		575
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	43,850	42,715		1,135
RESERVE FUND	10,504			10,504
TOWN ACCOUNTANT:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	81,170	80,705		465
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	1,250	955		295
BOARD OF ASSESSORS:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	70,285	67,517		2,768
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	28,800	26,850		1,950
REAL ESTATE VALUE PUBLICATION:				
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	1,200		1,200	
FINANCE:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	257,601	250,549		7,052
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	59,850	58,310	200	1,340
LAW:				
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	117,297	117,279		18
PERSONNEL:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	8,700	7,706		994
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	31,210	28,584	2,626	
DATA PROCESSING:				
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	47,100	46,033	298	769
CAPITAL OUTLAY	20,900	15,198	5,702	

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS

GENERAL FUND

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES AND ENCUMBRANCES, COMPARED TO BUDGET (CASH BASIS)

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1990

SCHEDULE 1

	BUDGET (REVISED)	EXPENDITURES	ENCUMBERED	UNENCUMBERED BALANCE
	$	$	$	$
TOWN CLERK:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	21,200	20,721		479
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	6,605	6,599		6
ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATION:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	11,220	9,284		1,936
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	17,000	16,992		8
CONSERVATION:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	27,385	27,211		174
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	1,270	1,060		210
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	70,109	67,858		2,251
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	9,398	4,001		5,397
PLANNING:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	2,900	2,199		701
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	1,868	1,327		541
ZONING:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	2,400	1,502		898
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	200	193		7
DISPOSAL OF PEARL ST. SCHOOL:				
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	10,000		9,000	1,000
BUILDING MAINTENANCE:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	144,738	144,703		35
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	352,724	332,422	20,300	2
CAPITAL OUTLAY	10,000	4,255	5,660	85
CASUALTY INSURANCE:				
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	253,000	210,977	660	41,363
	$	$	$	$
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	1,991,159	1,852,818	48,608	89,733

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS

GENERAL FUND

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES AND ENCUMBRANCES, COMPARED TO BUDGET (CASH BASIS)

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1990

SCHEDULE 1

	BUDGET (REVISED)	EXPENDITURES	ENCUMBERED	UNENCUMBERED BALANCE
	$	$	$	$
PUBLIC SAFETY:				
POLICE:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	1,877,461	1,874,600		2,861
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	188,175	143,916	44,227	32
FIRE:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	1,759,740	1,757,538		2,202
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	82,030	78,836	3,194	
DISPATCHERS:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	125,869	124,034		1,835
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	600	600		
INDEMNIFICATION POLICE/FIRE:				
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	33,000	30,188		2,812
BUILDING INSPECTOR:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	51,793	51,094		699
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	3,699	3,149		550
SEALER WEIGHTS AND MEASURES:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	5,275	5,275		
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	500	500		
CIVIL DEFENSE:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	2,350	2,350		
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	500	500		
ANIMAL CONTROL:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	18,022	18,022		
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	4,850	2,662	606	1,582
	$	$	$	$
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	4,153,864	4,093,264	48,027	12,573

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS

SCHEDULE 1

GENERAL FUND

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES AND ENCUMBRANCES, COMPARED TO BUDGET (CASH BASIS)

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1990

	BUDGET (REVISED)	EXPENDITURES	ENCUMBERED	UNENCUMBERED BALANCE
	$	$	$	$
EDUCATION:				
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	12,255,944	11,962,094	293,850	
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	2,770,485	2,740,115	18,263	12,107
NORTHEAST REGIONAL VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ASSESSMENT	186,285	186,285		
	$	$	$	$
TOTAL EDUCATION	15,212,714	14,888,494	312,113	12,107
	$	$	$	$
PUBLIC WORKS AND FACILITIES:				
PUBLIC WORKS:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	1,094,948	1,089,650		5,298
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	1,304,673	1,246,302	51,669	6,702
CAPITAL OUTLAY	104,000	104,000		
SNOW AND ICE CONTROL:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	58,004	56,867		1,137
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	178,801	178,801		
HAZARDOUS WASTE CLEANUP:				
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	85,000	85,000		
PUBLIC WAY ACCEPTANCE:				
AURELE CIRCLE	800	33		767
BENTON CIRCLE	800	35		765
CEDAR ST	110,000		110,000	
FRANCIS DRIVE	1,000	309		691
GEORGE ST	500	33		467
HEATHER DRIVE	500	35		465
LOUANIS DRIVE	500	37		463
SHACKFORD RD	9,000	2,137	6,863	
CEMETERY:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	168,034	167,781		253
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	33,825	32,556	1,269	
	$	$	$	$
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS AND FACILITIES	3,150,385	2,963,576	169,801	17,008

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS
GENERAL FUND
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES AND ENCUMBRANCES, COMPARED TO BUDGET (CASH BASIS)
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1990

SCHEDULE 1

	BUDGET (REVISED)	EXPENDITURES	ENCUMBERED	UNENCUMBERED BALANCE
	$	$	$	$
HUMAN SERVICES:				
HUMAN SERVICES:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	78,675	75,018		3,657
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	3,250	3,118		132
HEALTH:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	37,109	35,717		1,392
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	40,368	40,317		51
ELDER SERVICES:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	66,325	65,765		560
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	28,913	14,012	12,250	2,651
VETERANS:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	10,638	10,638		
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	1,045	1,045		
VETERANS AID	24,000	22,805		1,195
	$	$	$	$
TOTAL HUMAN SERVICES	290,323	268,435	12,250	9,638
	$	$	$	$
CULTURE AND RECREATION:				
LIBRARY:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	372,190	369,094		3,096
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	110,485	110,246	225	14
RECREATION:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	52,521	47,881		4,640
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	33,860	27,947	2,803	3,110
HISTORICAL COMMISSION	1,000	971		29
	$	$	$	$
TOTAL CULTURE AND RECREATION	570,056	556,139	3,028	10,889

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS
GENERAL FUND
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES AND ENCUMBRANCES, COMPARED TO BUDGET (CASH BASIS)
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1990

SCHEDULE 1

	BUDGET (REVISED)	EXPENDITURES	ENCUMBERED	UNENCUMBERED BALANCE
	$	$	$	$
DEBT SERVICE:				
RETIREMENT OF DEBT	1,135,000	1,135,000		
INTEREST ON LONG TERM DEBT	382,045	382,045		
SHORT-TERM INTEREST EXPENSE	23,000	22,766		234
INTEREST ON TAX OVERPAYMENT	2,114	2,114		
	$	$	$	$
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	1,542,159	1,541,925		234
	$	$	$	$
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS:				
CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT:				
ASSESSMENT	1,789,706	1,789,706		
NON-CONTRIBUTORY PENSIONS:				
PENSIONS	74,800	68,041		6,759
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION:				
BENEFITS	33,000	29,537		3,463
GROUP HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE:				
PREMIUMS	2,021,181	1,977,598	1,050	42,533
MEDICARE:				
TOWN SHARE	75,000	71,848		3,152
WORKER COMPENSATION:				
TRANSFER TO TRUST FUND	200,000	200,000		
	$	$	$	$
TOTAL EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	4,193,687	4,136,730	1,050	55,907

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS

GENERAL FUND

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES AND ENCUMBRANCES, COMPARED TO BUDGET (CASH BASIS)

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1990

SCHEDULE 1

	BUDGET (REVISED)	EXPENDITURES	ENCUMBERED	UNENCUMBERED BALANCE
	$	$	$	$
INTERGOVERNMENTAL:				
COUNTY ASSESSMENTS:				
COUNTY TAX	22,667	22,667		
STATE ASSESSMENTS:				
SPECIAL EDUCATION	10,706	12,918		(2,212)
ENERGY CONSERVATION	3,823	3,823		
RETIREMENT SYSTEM	3,589	3,589		
MOTOR VEHICLE PARKING SURCHARGE		270		(270)
HEALTH INSURANCE	1,702	1,702		
AIR POLLUTION CONTROL	4,659	4,659		
METRO AREA PLANNING COUNCIL	4,403	4,403		
MASSACHUSETTS BAY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY	558,419	559,803		(1,384)
	$	$	$	$
	609,968	613,834		(3,866)

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS — SCHEDULE 2

GENERAL FUND

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES AND ENCUMBRANCES, COMPARED TO PRIOR YEARS ENCUMBRANCES (CASH BASIS)

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1990

	BUDGET (REVISED)	EXPENDITURES	ENCUMBERED	UNENCUMBERED BALANCE
	$	$	$	$
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:				
SELECTMEN:				
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	10,588	6,490	4,098	
BOARD OF ASSESSORS:				
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	14,184	2,087	12,000	97
CAPITAL OUTLAY	12,800	12,800		
PERSONNEL:				
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	500	285		215
CONSERVATION:				
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	1,238	277		961
PLANNING:				
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	17,959	3,759	14,200	
TRAFFIC SIGNALS - SQUARE AREA:				
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	26,076	7,576	18,500	
BUILDING MAINTENANCE:				
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	44	44		
CAPITAL OUTLAY	37,917	36,270		1,647
PUBLIC SAFETY:				
POLICE:				
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	8,493	5,299		3,194
CAPITAL OUTLAY	9,248	9,248		
TRAFFIC CONTROL - SCHOOL ZONES:				
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	34,922	28,278		6,644
FIRE:				
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	3,963	3,963		
EDUCATION:				
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	312,079	311,779		300
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	42,703	36,758		5,945

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS — SCHEDULE 2

GENERAL FUND

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES AND ENCUMBRANCES, COMPARED TO PRIOR YEARS ENCUMBRANCES (CASH BASIS)

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1990

	BUDGET (REVISED)	EXPENDITURES	ENCUMBERED	UNENCUMBERED BALANCE
	$	$	$	$
PUBLIC WORKS AND FACILITIES:				
PUBLIC WORKS:				
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	21,779	21,779		
CAPITAL OUTLAY	227,649	221,039	6,610	
HAZARDOUS WASTE CLEANUP:				
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	10,878	10,878		
DRAIN CONSTRUCTION:				
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	118,198	71,648	46,550	
PUBLIC WAY ACCEPTANCE:				
NEW CROSSING ROAD	500	33		467
CLOVER CIRCLE	500	33		467
BUCKSKIN DRIVE	500	33		467
EASTWAY	500	41		459
GAVIN CIRCLE	500	33		467
GRANGER AVE	500		500	
DEAN ROAD	9,000	33	8,967	
BUCKINGHAM DRIVE	1,000	67		933
SUNNYSIDE AVE	1,000	33		967
SANBORN LANE	500	33		467
CEMETERY:				
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	19,526	11,334	8,192	
CAPITAL OUTLAY	36,224	20,538	15,647	39
RECREATION:				
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	397	325		72
HISTORICAL COMMISSION:				
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	35	35		
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS:				
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION:				
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	362	362		
	$ 982,262	$ 823,190	$ 135,264	$ 23,808

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS

SCHEDULE 3

WATER FUND

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES AND ENCUMBRANCES, COMPARED TO BUDGET (CASH BASIS)

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1990

	BUDGET (REVISED)	EXPENDITURES	ENCUMBERED	UNENCUMBERED BALANCE
	$	$	$	$
OPERATIONS:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	508,339	502,588		5,751
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	808,577	752,986	51,317	4,274
MONITORING WELLS	38,000	38,000		
WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS	35,000	21,499	13,501	
CAPITAL OUTLAY	240,200	75,852	164,348	
DEBT SERVICE:				
RETIREMENT OF DEBT	160,000	160,000		
INTEREST ON LONG TERM DEBT	51,600	51,600		
	$	$	$	$
	1,841,716	1,602,525	229,166	10,025

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS

SCHEDULE 4

SEWER FUND

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES AND ENCUMBRANCES, COMPARED TO BUDGET (CASH BASIS)

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1990

	BUDGET (REVISED)	EXPENDITURES	ENCUMBERED	UNENCUMBERED BALANCE
	$	$	$	$
OPERATIONS:				
PERSONAL SERVICES	159,929	73,988		85,941
NON-PERSONAL EXPENSES	207,891	203,660	4,231	
CAPITAL OUTLAY	12,000	12,000		
WATER RESOURCES BOARD ASSESSMENT	1,448,288	1,260,326		187,962
DEBT SERVICE:				
RETIREMENT OF DEBT	205,000	205,000		
INTEREST ON LONG TERM DEBT	9,380	9,380		
	$	$	$	$
	2,042,488	1,764,354	4,231	273,903

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

The Department of Community Development is responsible for furthering and upholding the public interest of the Town in matters relative to land-use, economic and physical development, building safety, and natural resource protection. It serves the Community Planning and Development Commission, the Conservation Commission, the Zoning Board of Appeals, the Historical Commission, and the Land Bank Committee. It also provides support to the 350th Anniversary Committee and the Housing Partnership.

The Department Director is Jonathan Edwards, who also serves as Town Planner; he is also the Town's Representative to the MBTA Advisory Board and is Vice-President of the North Suburban Planning Council. Stuart LeClaire, Building Inspector and Zoning Enforcement Officer, supervises the Wire Inspector, John Holland, and the Plumbing and Gas Inspector, Edward Cirigliano, and is a Director of the Massachusetts Building Commissioners Association. Donald Nadeau served the first six months of 1990 as Interim Conservation Administrator and was hired as of July as the permanent Conservation Administrator.

Helen Joyce capably continues as part-time Principal Clerk. Due to budget cuts, the Department unfortunately lost the fine services of Gail Faller, full-time Administrative Assistant, and Virginia Butler, part-time Principal Clerk, both of whom were transferred to the Department of Human Services. These losses were partly compensated by the addition of Connie Leoncello, part-time Principal Clerk, whom the Department shares with the Department of Public Works.

Despite sustaining budget cuts of 17.2% (from $180,584 in Fiscal Year 1990 to $149,466 in Fiscal Year 1991), the largest decrease experienced by any department in Town government, the Department of Community Development has been able to continue functioning with minimum losses in effectiveness and service to our citizens through administrative streamlining and the superlative dedication of its employees.

During 1990, the Department processed 1499 applications for building, plumbing, wiring, and gas permits; CPDC Site Plan and Subdivision Reviews; Conservation Determinations and Orders of Condition; and ZBA Appeals, Variances, and Special Permits, receiving a total revenue from fees of $151,305.

During 1990, the Department placed principal evidence on the following actions and programs:

- completing the integration of permitting and enforcement procedures, both within the Department and in cooperation with other Departments, to streamline and coordinate the effectiveness of public oversight of development and to maximize the convenience of service delivery to the general public.

- continuation of the Department's efforts to consolidate the disparate filing systems the Department originally inherited from the previously separate operations from which the Department was formed; much of this progress was due to the diligent work performed by our retired volunteer, Mrs. Louise Desmond.

- computerization of the Conservation Data Base.

- development of a centralized system for collection and accounting of fee revenues.

- clarification and simplification of CPDC-Site Plan Review and ZBA Rules and Regulations.

- acquisition of lands suitable for Conservation protection.

- increased emphasis on comprehensive Zoning enforcement.

- increased cooperation with regional planning organizations and neighboring municipalities in such areas as transportation, environmental review of proposed major developments, and water supply and water quality protection.

- continued monitoring of and involvement with adjoining Towns and Cities in development activities of concern to the Reading, such as Inwood Park, Industriplex Interchange, American Mutual, Riverpark-93, Chestnut Knoll, Superfund Site, MBTA commuter-rail facilities, I-93/129 Interchange.

- increased cooperation with other Departments on matters relating to drainage maintenance, procedural coordination, tax-base enhancement, subdivision inspections and bonding, and grant applications (particularly for the Senior Center).

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

- initiation of the Town-Wide Traffic Study in conjunction with the development of the Master Plan.

- continuation of the development of the Master Plan, now completed through the Goals and Objectives and Statistical Analysis stages, with a view to completing the entire Master Plan in 1991.

- working with the Chamber of Commerce and neighborhood associations, and citizens groups on such issues as development impacts, traffic and safety, parking and sign control, economic stimulation, and distressed condominium projects.

- continuing the efforts to identify dispose of surplus Town properties for advantageous redevelopment, especially the Old Fire Station and Pearl Street School, despite the slowdown in the regional real-estate market, which has caused delays in the initiation of the Reading Executive Park on the former landfill, and the withdrawal of the selected developer for Bear Hill.

- assisting the Reading Housing Partnership in beginning its efforts toward promoting affordable housing in the Town.

COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

The Community Planning and Development Commission held 24 public meetings during 1990. It conducted 30 Public Hearings relative to Site Plan and Subdivision Reviews, and 2 public site visits (Crestview Exxon and Reading Car Wash) to evaluate Site Plan Review issues, in order to afford the citizens of our Town the maximum opportunity to participate in the proceedings of the Commission.

A total of 14 Site Plan Review and Subdivision applications were received in 1990, generating a total of $33,892 in fee revenues.

Subdivisions:
A total of seven subdivisions were presented for the Commission's review, containing an aggregate total of 74 building lots: Ashley Woods, Batchelder Estates, Birch Meadow Estates, Family Circle, Kurchian Lane, Roma Lane, and Stone Well Road. Fourteen Approval-Not-Required (ANR) Plans were endorsed; two were not endorsed.

The Commission has devoted increasing attention to subdivision performance bonds and completion schedules, in order to ensure that subdivision work proceeds as expeditiously as possible in the declining real-estate market. A total of 31 bond actions were taken relative to establishing performance bond amounts, reducing bond amounts as work progresses, releasing bonds as work is completed, and extending completion dates as appropriate.

The Commission, concerned with a growing tendency among subdividers to take advantage of loopholes in the Zoning By-Law as developable land becomes increasingly scarce and marginal, proposed to the Fall 1990 Town Meeting a revision to the Zoning By-Law to tighten frontage standards for new lots. This measure was adopted by Town Meeting.

Site Plan Review:
The Commission reviewed seven applications for Site Plan Review, including three modifications to previously approved plans: Reading Car Wash, Community Center, Laschi Building, Addison-Wesley, Crestview Exxon, Reading Diner, and TASC's second building. Due to the diligence of the Town Planner and the Building Inspector, there are now no cases of noncompliance with Site Plan Review approval conditions, with the exception of two in litigation.

The Commission worked closely with the Reading Chamber of Commerce and other interested citizens to develop revisions to clarify and strengthen the applicability provisions of the Site Plan Review By-Law. The Commission is pleased that these revisions were adopted by the Fall 1990 Town Meeting.

Master Plan:
The Master Plan Advisory Committee, working with the Commission and the Town Planner, made considerable progress during 1990 toward the completion of the Town's Master Plan. The Data Collection and Statistical Analysis components were started and completed during the year. Combined with the already adopted Master Plan Goals and Objectives, the completion of these steps will enable the Master Plan to be completed during the upcoming year.

An important dimension was added to the Master Plan with the commencement of the Town-Wide Traffic Study, being conducted under the auspices of the Community Development Department by a traffic planning consultant, McDonough & Scully. Phase I of this Study, Data Collection, has been almost completed, with Phase II, Iden-

tification of Existing Problems and Future Demand, to begin immediately thereafter. Not only will this Study enable to Town to take effective measures to control current traffic difficulties and to prevent or mitigate many future traffic problems, but it will also form a significant component of the Master Plan.

Other Activities:
Funds from one subdivision developer have been appropriated in the amount of $25,000 for the construction of needed sidewalks, and the Commission is working with the Town Manager and other Town and School Staff on the identification of areas where sidewalk construction is needed most for our school children and on the development of privately-funded means to assist in this effort.

During 1990, the Commission's membership changed. George Hines resigned from the Commission, having been elected to the Board of Selectmen; and Mark Favaloro chose not to seek reappointment as a Commission member although he remains Chairman of the Master Plan Advisory Committee. Jonathan Barnes and Nancy Shipes were appointed to the Commission.

The Commission wishes to thank the Town Planner, Jonathan Edwards, and the Assistant Director of Public Works--Engineering, William Robertson, for their hard work and dedicated support in assisting the Commission in its work on behalf of the citizens of the Town of Reading.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

In 1990, the Board of Appeals held thirty three hearings to decide upon twenty-six petitions. Fourteen of which were for variances, eleven for Special Permits, and one an appeal from the decision of the Building Inspector.

Seven of the fourteen requests for variances were denied; two were withdrawn without prejudice; four were granted, and one, filed late in the year, will be taken up in 1991. Of the four granted, one was for a modification of a previously granted variance (1986-29) for 52 Sanborn Street; the second for a connector between an existing building and a proposed building at 55/75 Walkers Brook Drive; the third for a canopy overhang at 85 Main Street; and the fourth for a side yard set back at 63 Longwood Road.

Of the eleven petitions for special permits, four were denied; four were withdrawn; two were granted; and one has been continued into 1991. One of the special permits granted was for an accessory apartment at 230 Bancroft Avenue, and the second was a transfer of an existing special permit from one owner to another at 35 Sandra Lane.

The appeal from the decision of the Building Inspector involved the property at 1331 Main Street and the issue of the sale of both flowers and food at the same location. The Board upheld the appeal overturning the decision of the Building Inspector thereby allowing, with conditions, the sale of food and flowers at this location.

Respectfully submitted by:
Stephen G. Tucker, Chairman
John A. Jarema, Vice-Chairman
Ardith A. Wieworka
C. Nancy Scott
Sally C. Nitzsche
John A. Coote

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Conservation Commission is proud of the direction that it took to meet the many changes and challenges it encountered in 1990.

ADMINISTRATION:
The new year began with a change in the administrator as Mark Boyajian resigned in December, 1989, to accept a position in the private sector. Donald Nadeau was hired as the interim administrator by the Town Manager. As budget preparations for 1991 were in process, the position was not filled permanently. The final budget did, in fact, reduce the funding for the administrator's position. During the March town meeting, the budget was amended to restore the funding for the administrator and Donald Nadeau was appointed to the permanent position on July 1, 1990.

However, the Commission did suffer a major reduction in the amount of clerical staff allocated to it, which has altered the level of services which it can provide. During the past year the department was allotted 40 hours of clerical help per week, compared to 80 hours in the previous year. This 40 hours is shared by Building, Planning, and Conservation which severely limits the staffing available to the commission. As a result, applicants are now being required to perform activities which the department had pre-

viously done. It should also be noted that funds for a secretary to record the minutes of meetings were cut and it is now being done by Associate Member James Biller.

Under the direction of Mr. Nadeau, the Commission is in the process of streamlining the application process for the applicant as well as computerizing more of the office functions. By eliminating some functions, shifting some activities to the applicant, and improving office efficiency, the division continues to pursue its mission of environmental protection. Hopefully the division will continue to be able to provide an adequate level of service to the public with these changes, which will help to offset the lack of clerical staffing.

APPLICATIONS:
The Commission held thirty-five meetings in 1990 to attend to the forty-one filings which it received. These filings included 20 Requests for Determination and 21 Notices of Intent. Four subdivisions including Ashley Woods, Old Orchard Road, Kurchian Woods, and Carriage Estates Phase I were processed in addition to individual house lots, house additions, and pool installations. The Administrator performed 260 inspections.

The DPW submitted eight filings which concerned drainage, the compost area in the Town Forest, the Treatment Plant addition, monitoring/exploratory wells and well discharge.

The new bylaw filing fees, enacted in January and the new State fees enacted in August, 1989, resulted in the collection of $10,700.30 in 1990.

ACTIVITIES:
Bylaw Revision:
After two years of working with Attorney Elaine Vreeland, the Commission completed the proposed revisions to the Reading General Bylaws, Section 5.7 - Wetlands Protection. After review by Town Counsel Theodore Cohen, eleven warrant articles were presented to the November Town Meeting and were overwhelmingly approved. Revised regulations were also prepared and can be adopted after the new bylaw is approved by the Attorney General.

The Commission wishes to express their gratitude to Donald Nadeau for the time and effort he expended in assuring the adoption of the revisions. His ability to organize and attend to details were very important elements in preparing for the Town Meeting presentation.

Earth Day 1990:
The Commission established an Earth Day Committee which was comprised of two commission members and citizens and charged with planning a celebration in Reading. The Committee organized a successful day in Bear Meadow on Sunday, April 29, 1990, which included picnic facilities, exhibits, games, and nature walks.

In keeping with the Commission's dedication to environmental education, members assisted with the educational exhibits sponsored by the Board of Health at each of the schools to celebrate Earth Day.

Ipswich River Watershed Association:
Ed Loschi continued to serve as the Commission's representative to the association this past year. He is presently involved with the Chestnut Knoll Condominium proposal, which is attempting to locate septic systems in North Reading on the Great Cedar Swamp. As this area is among other things a potential water supply for the Town of Reading, it is of great concern to the Commission.

APPOINTMENTS:
The Commission congratulates Sally Hoyt who was elected to the Board of Selectmen in March and appreciates the time she dedicated to the Board during her 16 years of service. Jennifer Lachmayr, a civil engineer, was appointed as her replacement, and has been an asset to the Commission as she brings to us many technical skills.

James Biller and James Keigley were appointed by the Commission as Associate Members and have provided invaluable services during the meetings and site visits.

Vice-Chairman Rebecca Longley resigned in November, because her job is requiring frequent trips to Japan. The Commission will miss Becky and appreciates all of the time and expertise she gave to the group over the past three years.

ACTION
Protecting the Aquifer:
The Commission is looking forward to coordinating efforts in improving public health and environmental protection in the sensitive Aquifer Protection District. Interested members of the commission will be studying current land use policies and will make recommendations to protect this valuable resource.

DPW PROJECTS
In order to encourage proper ditch maintenance and alleviate unneces-

sary filings, the Commission will be evaluating generic orders of conditions for drainage projects. It is important that the DPW and the Commission develop proper strategies for the drainage maintenance that must be done in Reading.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:
Reading Memorial High School Biology Teacher Leo Kenney has located 58 vernal pools in Town. These "temporary pools" are very invaluable and environmentally sensitive areas, and are usually found near or in wetlands and floodplains. The Commission greatly appreciates the great deal of effort and expertise that Mr. Kenney and his assistants invested in this major project.

The Commission would like to encourage more citizen involvement in environmental education, upkeep of the Town's conservation lands, and community programs in the coming year.

Finally, as we enter the new decade, may Reading continue to preserve those valuable resources which are to be passed down to our children's children.

REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL COMMISSION

The Reading Historical Commission in 1990 continued to provide preservation information and advice to town officials and citizens, and to local and statewide preservation organizations.

Discussions with the Board of Selectmen in 1989 led the board to request that the Historical Commission prepare a set of criteria for evaluating changes to the Common, listed on the National Register of Historic Places . This was done, and town policy is now to consult these criteria when changes are proposed. The commission supplied various types of assistance to the Master Plan Committee, to the Board of Cemetery Trustees, and to the Municipal Light Department concerning the latter's upcoming facilities reorganization. (Two of the buildings involved are historically/architecturally significant.) The commission nominated the former Central Fire Station as an Endangered Property to the Architectural Conservation Trust (ACT) for Massachusetts; both the commission and ACT then helped the Elder Services Division prepare a Small Cities grant application for funds to convert the station into a Senior Center. Through the commission's efforts, the local Burger King facility donated several historic views of the town for display in Town Hall. The commission continued its project to have the town's collection of Memorial Park photographs conserved. Some of this work was done by commission member John McCauley, but most was performed by the Northeast Document Conservation Center, with funding partly supplied by a grant from the Reading Arts Lottery Council. Members of the commission helped the Board of Assessors arrange for the printing of the current valuation list, as was voted by Town Meeting. The commission continued to participate in the Community Planning and Development Commission's Site-Plan Review process when historic structures were involved, and to work with the Town Planner toward the implementation of the town's Scenic Roads bylaw.

Citizen requests for information were answered on topics ranging from historically appropriate house paint colors to genealogical records. (A resource sheet was prepared to assist persons seeking the latter type of information.) The Historical Commission gave Kevin Fulgoni one of its Certificates of Merit for his rehabilitation of the commercial property at 494 Main Street. Information and advice was provided to the Meadow Brook Golf Club concerning possible reuses for the early 18th-century house on its property, the Foster-Emerson Homestead, listed on the National Register. The commission's annual free Preservation Week presentation in May saw commission members give a slide talk on a wide variety of Reading's municipal buildings, past and present. Commission member Ed Palmer discovered a little-known cache of unidentified glass-plate negatives of historic Reading views. He and commission member Virginia Adams worked to identify these views, and Adams wrote a series of articles to accompany some of the views when they were published in the Chronicle.

The commission began to computerize its Historical and Architectural Inventory under the direction of member Ted Smethurst. Conditions in the town's Archives Room continued to be monitored, and a set of accession procedures was devised to accompany the commission's existing accessions policy. Information was provided to the state's Board of Library Commissioners concerning the archival needs of local historical commissions. The commission reorganized in July , re-electing the same set of officers, as listed below. It was deeply saddened at the death in September of Mrs. Robert C. Barclay, the popular, long-time Reading historian who spent many hours helping the commission sharpen the information in its ar-

chitectural inventory and National Register nomination.

The Historical Commission greatly appreciates, and wishes to thank, all the many persons who supported and encouraged us in the past year, particularly those within town government.

Sharon Ofenstein, Chairman
John McCauley, Secretary
Edward Smethurst, Treasurer
Virginia Adams
Edward Palmer
Associate Members
Nancy Smethurst
Frank Orlando
Leslie Gonzales

THE LAND BANK COMMITTEE

The Land Bank Committee in 1990 continued to render service to town agencies and citizens. We have continued to add pertinent information to the record files. This included copies of maps, deeds and detailed items collected from many sources.

We have furnished information to various town boards and committees, as well as Town Counsel, on request from them. They have continued to find the Land Bank Committee a valuable resource.

Respectfully submitted,
LAND BANK COMMITTEE
Benjamin E. Nichols, Chairman
George B. Perry, Vice Chairman
Edward G. Smethurst, Secretary

INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

Listed below is the annual report of the Building Inspector for the year 1990. The following permits were issued and inspected during the year:

New Dwellings	31
Res. Found.	2
Comm. Found.	0
Additions	137
Alterations	116
Roofs/Siding	79
Swimming Pools	16
Garages	5
Fire Damage	2
Signs	10
Razings	11
Accessory Buildings	4
Miscellaneous Structures	19
Relocated Building	
Wood Stoves	14
Total Permits	446
Total Fee Revenue	$71,266.00

WIRING INSPECTOR

During 1990, a total of 367 permits were issued and inspected. A total of $14,277 was collected and turned over to the Treasurer's Office.

PLUMBING AND GAS INSPECTOR

During 1990, a total of 268 plumbing permits were issued and inspected. A total of $8343.20 was collected and turned over to the Treasurer's office.

A total of 156 gas permits were issued and inspected. A total of $3,855 was collected and turned over to the Treasurer's office.

METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING COUNCIL

Thanks to Reading and 100 other communities, the Metropolitan Area Planning Council continues to provide communities with regional planning services throughout 1990.

1. As part of MetroPlan 2000--our regional development plan--Reading was included in the following projects:

a. mapping the sewer service area
b. detailed analyses of sewer and water capacities
c. solid waste management analyses and mapping
d. analysis of local transportation priorities
e. economic development and housing analyses
f. open space and resource protection data analyses

2. Reading was also included in these MAPC demographics reports:

Employment and Income Forecasts
Population and Age Group Forecasts
Regional and Community Population and Employment Forecasts
Business and Residential Growth in Metropolitan Boston

3. MAPC also tracks recent and proposed commercial, industrial and residential development projects in Reading for research purposes.

4. MAPC studies in the North Suburban Planning Council include the Route 128 study and a water supply protection study.

5. As a member of the subregion, Reading's representative helped prioritize local transportation

projects to pursue their inclusion in the federal Transportation Improvement Program or other funding programs.

MAPC appreciates Reading's continued support, and looks forward to further service in the years ahead.

George Hines
MAPC Representative

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"Reading Common at Holiday Season"

FINANCE

ASSESSMENT DIVISION

The Assessment Division of the Finance Department is headed by a 3 member elected part-time Board of Assessors. The Board is responsible for the professional work of appraising and assessing all real and personal property in the Town of Reading. The Board provides the policy direction and technical expertise for this function.

The Division Head is the Town Appraiser who reports to the Board of Assessors regarding the Assessment function and to the Finance Director regarding administrative and/or clerical matters.

The Assessment Division in the past year completed its first successful in house revaluation on the new CAMA (Computer-Assisted Mass Appraisal) system for FY90. Within the same 12-month period, a second revaluation was successfully completed for FY91 thus effecting savings to the Town of well over $100,000.

The Appraiser and Assistant Appraiser are in the process of inspecting all properties in the Town of Reading for the FY93 Revaluation.

Appraiser Sebastian P. Tine was elected Vice-President of the Middlesex County Assessors Association. Administrative Assistant Faye Meehl was awarded a scholarship to attend the MAAO (Mass. Assessors Assn.) School at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst. Mrs. Meehl was also granted her designation as a Massachusetts Accredited Assessor in November, 1990.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS
JANUARY 1, 1990

ASSESSED VALUATION	
RESIDENTIAL	$1,333,611,700
OPEN SPACE	1,459,100
COMMERCIAL	127,487,500
INDUSTRIAL	25,887,700
PERSONAL PROPERTY	11,876,200
TOTAL ASSESSMENTS	$1,500,322,200
AMOUNT TO BE RAISED	
APPROPRIATED FOR TOWN PURPOSES	$ 34,947,676
STATE AND COUNTY CHERRY SHEET CHARGES	644,319
OVERLAY	392,008
CHERRY SHEET OFFSETS	322,214
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	$ 36,306,217
INCOME	
ESTIMATED RECEIPTS - CHERRY SHEET	$5,705,543
ESTIMATED RECEIPTS - LOCAL	4,430,000
ENTERPRISE FUNDS	3,856,780
FREE CASH	1,009,360
AVAILABLE FUNDS	1,980,384
TOTAL RECEIPTS	$ 16,982,067
NET AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION	$ 19,324,150
AMOUNT TO BE RAISED	$19,324,150
VALUATION	$1,500,322,200

= $12.88/THOUSAND

FINANCE

REPORT OF THE TOWN COLLECTOR
12 MONTHS ENDING JUNE 30, 1990

1990 REAL ESTATE

Committed Sept. 26, 1989	$18,675,840.71	
Refunds	67,872.28	
Interest & Costs Collected	27,367.18	
Abatements		$ 255,098.96
Paid to Treasurer		17,975,729.19
Subsequent Tax Title		152,993.71
Uncollected June 30, 1990		387,258.31
	18,771,080.17	18,771,080.17

1989 REAL ESTATE

Balance June 30, 1989	240,766.41	
Refunds	42,907.76	
Interest and Costs Collected	22,980.15	
Abatements		29,414.62
Paid to Treasurer		231,433.64
Tax Title		42,621.96
Uncollected June 30, 1990		3,184.10
	306,654.32	306,654.32

1990 PERSONAL PROPERTY

Committed March 21, 1990	140,528.05	
Refunds	164.48	
Interest and Costs Collected	238.72	
Abatements		477.61
Paid to Treasurer		133,550.07
Uncollected June 30, 1990		6,903.57
	140,931.25	140,931.25

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1989 PERSONAL PROPERTY

Balance June 30, 1989	2,692.02	
Interest and Costs Collected	49.29	
Paid to Treasurer		209.90
Uncollected June 30, 1990		2,531.41
	2,741.31	2,741.31

PERSONAL PROPERTY PRIOR YEARS

Balance June 30, 1989	4,071.51	
Interest and Costs Collected	34.54	
Paid to Treasurer		70.04
Uncollected June 30, 1990		4,036.01
	4,106.05	4,106.05

1990 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

Committed 1990	968,666.15	
Refunds	6,284.32	
Interest and Costs Collected	13,265.86	
Abatements		38,050.15
Paid to Treasurer		909,072.34
Uncollected June 30, 1990		41,093.84
	988,216.33	988,216.33

1989 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

Balance June 30, 1989	59,559.91	
Committed 1990	418,657.85	
Refunds	11,020.23	
Interest and Costs Collected	7,312.05	
Abatements		22,746.21
Paid to Treasurer		337,964.58
Uncollected June 30, 1990		135,839.25
	496,550.04	496,550.04

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1988 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

Balance June 30, 1989	33,306.32	
Committed 1990	46,443.48	
Refunds	1,260.93	
Interest and Costs Collected	3,427.45	
Abatements		6,099.59
Paid to Treasurer		58,750.22
Uncollected June 30,1990		19,588.37
	84,438.18	84,438.18

1987 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

Balance June 30, 1988	20,143.79	
Committed 1990	996.04	
Refunds	138.54	
Interest and Costs Collected	1,774.27	
Abatements		541.56
Paid to Treasurer		7,214.37
Uncollected June 30, 1990		15,296.71
	23,052.64	23,052.64

UNAPPORTIONED BETTERMENTS

Balance June 30, 1989	10,210.15	
Committed 1990	31,734.01	
Abatement		1,570.98
Paid to Treasurer		4,851.76
Added to Taxes		1,124.91
Uncollected June 30, 1990		34,396.51
	41,944.16	41,944.16

ADVANCE PAYMENTS

Committed 1990	1,796.82	
Interest and Costs Collected	118.83	
Paid to Treasurer		1,915.65
	1,915.65	1,915.65

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WATER CHARGES

Balance June 30, 1989	266,824.96	
Committed 1990	1,846,331.01	
Refunds	9,410.39	
Interest	21,877.99	
Abatements		43,751.31
Paid to Treasurer		1,602,577.08
Discount for Timely payments		143,423.03
Added to 1990 Taxes		112,820.63
Uncollected June 30, 1990		241,872.30
	2,144,444.35	2,144,444.35

SEWER RENTAL

Uncollected June 30, 1989	255,263.26	
Committed 1990	1,999,083.51	
Refunds	9,828.21	
Interest and Costs Collected	21,229.83	
Abatements		46,732.48
Paid to Treasurer		1,715,359.93
Discounts for Timely Payments		156,429.45
Added to 1990 Taxes		103,518.78
Uncollected June 30, 1990		263,364.17
	2,285,404.81	2,285,404.81

LIEN CERTIFICATES

Certificates and Releases	17,304.00	
Paid to Treasurer		17,304.00

Elizabeth W. Klepeis
Town Collector

THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF REAL ESTATE ABATEMENTS GRANTED BY THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS IN THE YEAR 1990 IN COMPLIANCE WITH ARTICLE 4, SECTION 4.3.5 OF THE BY-LAWS OF THE TOWN OF READING:

TOWN OF READING
FY90 ABATEMENTS

NAME		LOCATION	ADRESS			AMOUNT
ADAMS CHARLES A		AZALEA CIRCLE	AZALEA CIRCLE	READING MA	01867	208.03
ADAMS CHARLES A		AZALEA CIRCLE	AZALEA CIRCLE	READING MA	01867	1,189.09
ADAMS VIRGINIA M		AZALEA CIRCLE	AZALEA CIRCLE	READING MA	01867	205.67
ADDISON-WESLEY PUBS CO INC		JACOB WAY	JACOB WAY	READING MA	01867	5,910.00
ADDISON-WESLEY PUBS CO INC		JACOB WAY	JACOB WAY	READING MA	01867	5,910.00
AHEARN J FRANCIS	0076	HOWARD ST	76 HOWARD ST	READING MA	01867	209.21
ARTHUR C RANDALL		PERCY AVE	437 SUMMER AVE	READING MA	01867	755.30
BARKER JOHN F	0082	MIDDLESEX AVE	82 MIDDLESEX AVE	READING MA	01867	124.11
BEANE RAYMOND J	0010	EATON ST	10 EATON ST	READING MA	01867	112.29
BELLINO GLORIA C		WAVERLY RD	1 SUMMIT DR #17	READING MA	01867	54.37
BLACK DAMON S JR	0212	BANCROFT AVE	212 BANCROFT AVENUE	READING MA	01867	95.74
BLAKE CURTIS L	0228	MAIN ST	C/O 1855 BOSTON RD	NO.WILBRAHAM MA	01067	1,191.46
BLYE I MYRTICE	0071	FOREST ST	71 FOREST ST	READING MA	01867	1,369.92
BOSBACH ALBERT JR H	0004	ROBIN RD	4 ROBIN RD	READING MA	01867	360.51
BOUDOURIS CHARLES	0028	HAYSTACK RD	28 HAYSTACK RD	READING MA	01867	52.01
BOWKER JAMES L	0058	HANCOCK ST	58 HANCOCK ST	READING MA	01867	83.92
BOWMAN FRANK T	0043	CHESTNUT RD	43 CHESTNUT ROAD	READING MA	01867	66.19
BOYD DIANE	0070	WHITTIER RD	70 WHITTIER RD	READING MA	01867	174.94
BUCKLEY WILLIAM F	0544	HAVERHILL ST	544 HAVERHILL ST	READING MA	01867	55.55
BURGER KING CORP 3957	0357	MAIN ST	200 SOUTH 6TH ST MS392	MINNEAPOLIS MN	55402	1,312.02
CARELLO NICOLA L	0015	TAMARACK RD	15 TAMARACK RD	READING MA	01867	120.56
CARLIN WARREN L	0017	COLLINS AVE	17 COLLINS AVE	READING MA	01867	2,774.09
CARLSON ROBERT B		OFF COLLINS AVE	RR 1 BOX 4150	SIDNEY ME	04963	172.57
CARPENELLA FELIX F	0081	GREEN ST	52 PRESCOTT ST	READING MA	01867	82.74
CARPENELLA FELIX F	0052	PRESCOTT ST	52 PRESCOTT ST	READING MA	01867	144.20
CARPENELLA FELIX F		KNOLLWOOD RD	52 PRESCOTT ST	READING MA	01867	124.11
CATALDO VIRGINIA L	0122	HAVERHILL ST	122 HAVERHILL STREET	READING MA	01867	316.78
CATALDO VIRGINIA L		TIMBER NECK	122 HAVERHILL STREET	READING MA	01867	122.93
CAVANAUGH DONALD R	0184	GREEN ST	184 GREEN ST	READING MA	01867	352.24
CECCACCI JOSEPH A	0027	DIVIDENCE RD	27 DIVIDENCE RD	READING MA	01867	261.22
CHABANE SID A	0106	SANBORN LN	106 SANBORN LANE	READING MA	01867	96.92
CIARCIA SALVATORE	0010	JOSEPH WAY	10 JOSEPH WAY	READING MA	01867	23.64
CLEMENS JOHN C		LAWRENCE RD	30 LAWRENCE RD	READING MA	01867	667.83
COLCLOUGH JOHN C	0119	SALEM ST	2821 SHELL CREEK A	WESTLAKE VILLAGE CA	91361	321.50
COMBINED DEVELOPMENT GROUP		OFF SANBORN LN	20 BRENTWOOD DR	READING MA	01867	782.48
CONNOLLY ANDREW P	0003	SWAN RD	3 SWAN ROAD	READING MA	01867	270.68
CONROY LAWRENCE B	0075	LINE RD	75 LINE ROAD	READING MA	01867	300.23
COWAN ROBERT F	0014	GRANT ST	14 GRANT ST	READING MA	01867	192.67
CULLINAN PETER V	0037	WILLOW ST	37 WILLOW STREET	READING MA	01867	106.38
CUTELIS ARTHUR J	0176	SALEM ST	176 SALEM ST	READING MA	01867	125.29
DARGENIO ROBERT W	0052	CHAPEL HILL DR	52 CHAPEL HILL DR	READING MA	01867	3,375.73
DELUCA RUTH A	0153	HAVERHILL ST	153 HAVERHILL ST	READING MA	01867	86.29
DEVANEY J THOMAS TR		COUNTY RD	8 TURNER DRIVE	NO READING MA	01864	913.69
DEVANEY J THOMAS TR		COUNTY RD	8 TURNER DR	NO READING MA	01864	913.69
DISCIULLO JOSEPH C	0259	HAVERHILL ST	259 HAVERHILL ST	READING MA	01867	44.92
DRISCOLL JOSEPH P	0051	INTERVALE TERR	51 INTERVALE TERR	READING MA	01867	145.39
DURKIN LAWRENCE A	0026	BOND ST	26 BOND ST	READING MA	01867	69.74
DYMENT WILLIAM E	0018	SMALL LN	18 SMALL LN	READING MA	01867	2,687.87
ELLIS RICHARD	0028	UNION ST	28 UNION ST	READING MA	01867	7.09
ENOS CLARENCE		ENOS CIRCLE	480 WEST STREET	READING MA	01867	178.48
ENOS CLARENCE	0472	WEST ST	480 WEST ST	READING MA	01867	2,362.82
FABBRI RENE G	0654	HAVERHILL ST	654 HAVERHILL ST	READING MA	01867	83.92
FAIR DARRELL L	0455	LOWELL ST	455 LOWELL ST	READING MA	01867	14.18
FAIRCHILD RICHARD G	0053	DANA RD	53 DANA RD	READING MA	01867	111.11

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NAME		LOCATION	ADRESS			AMOUNT
FANTASIA VINCENT C		CHAPEL HILL DR	60 TERRACE PK	READING MA	01867	823.85
FAY JOHN W	0116	PEARL ST	116 PEARL STREET	READING MA	01867	271.86
FEENEY AGNES P	0018+	SWEETSER AVE	20 SWEETSER AVE	READING MA	01867	120.56
FENNELLY J MICHAEL		SCOTLAND RD	82 HOWARD ST	READING MA	01867	105.20
FENNELLY J MICHAEL	0082	HOWARD ST	82 HOWARD ST	READING MA	01867	176.12
FERRARA FLORENCE M	0196	SALEM ST	196 SALEM ST	READING MA	01867	178.48
FIENEMANN HENRY W		FRANKLIN ST	341 FRANKLIN ST	READING MA	01867	323.87
FITZGERALD THOMAS F	0022	GREY COACH RD	22 GREY COACH ROAD	READING MA	01867	995.24
FLANAGAN THOMAS J	0016	SCOTLAND RD	16 SCOTLAND RD	READING MA	01867	491.71
FLOYD JOHN S		OFF MAIN ST	PO BOX 523	READING MA	01867	132.38
FLOYD JOHN S	1437	MAIN ST	PO BOX 523	READING MA	01867	1,312.01
FOLEY PHILIP L	0144	SALEM ST	144 SALEM ST	READING MA	01867	104.02
FOYE MARJORIE L	0029+	BANCROFT AVE	29 BANCROFT AVE	READING MA	01867	355.78
FULLER MARGARET M	0189	GREEN ST	29 SPRING STREET	WAKEFIELD MA	01880	101.65
GADBOIS EDWARD I		OFF GROVE ST	256 GROVE ST	READING MA	01867	156.02
GENTILE EUGENE J		AZALEA CIRCLE	AZALEA CIRCLE	READING MA	01867	205.67
GIANGERGORIO SILVIO		MAIN ST	70 WALNUT ST	LYNN MA	02108	918.41
GIANNATTASIO MICHAEL A	1056	MAIN ST	1056 MAIN ST	READING MA	01867	117.02
GRAHAM GEORGE L	0232	WEST ST	232 WEST ST	READING MA	01867	300.23
GRAY ROBERT A	0166	PROSPECT ST	166 PROSPECT ST	READING MA	01867	70.92
GREENHOUSE ACRES DEVELOPMEN	0017+	PLEASANT ST	290 ELIOT STREET	ASHLAND MA	01721	2,346.86
GRITZ ANDREW P	0160	WAKEFIELD ST	160 WAKEFIELD ST	READING MA	01867	223.40
GRITZ ANDREW P		WAKEFIELD ST	160 WAKEFIELD ST	READING MA	01867	63.83
HALL WILLIAM M	0081	HANCOCK ST	81 HANCOCK ST	READING MA	01867	14.18
HARPER RICHARD O		PEARL ST REAR	695 PEARL STREET	READING MA	01867	62.65
HEALY GINA M TR	0035	SUNNYSIDE AVE	35 SUNNYSIDE AVE	READING MA	01867	434.95
HICKMAN EDNA P	0120	PEARL ST	120 PEARL STREET	READING MA	01867	500.00
HOGAN DANIEL W IV	0072	WILLOW ST	72 WILLOW STREET	READING MA	01867	120.56
HOPKINS FRANCES	0605	SUMMER AVE	1 SUMMIT DR	READING MA	01867	175.00
HORN JENNETTE E	0046	GRAND ST	46 GRAND ST	READING MA	01867	138.29
HUGHES WILLIAM J	0102	HANSCOM AVE	102 HANSCOM AVE	READING MA	01867	18.91
HULSE HAROLD V		SANBORN LN	SANBORN LN	READING MA	01867	20.09
JEFFREY WILLIAM G	0042	LOCUST ST	HC-61 BOX 067 BACK COV	NEW-HARBOR ME	04554	500.00
JEWETT MARY S		OFF CURTIS ST	GEORGE ST	READING MA	01867	604.00
KAVANAGH LORI S	0233	WEST ST	233 WEST STREET	READING MA	01867	65.01
KEITH JOHN R	0036	TENNYSON RD	36 TENNYSON RD	READING MA	01867	8.27
KENNEDY ANTHONY C	0064+	GREEN ST	3 JANICE LANE	STONEHAM MA	02180	73.28
KILEY RUSSELL T	0131	MIDDLESEX AVE	131 MIDDLESEX AVE	READING MA	01867	308.50
KNUDSEN EDWARD G		PARTRIDGE RD	242 CAMBRIDGE STREET	BURLINGTON MA	01803	447.98
KNUDSEN EDWARD G		PARTRIDGE RD	242 CAMBRIDGE STREET	BURLINGTON MA	01803	377.06
KNUDSEN EDWARD G		PARTRIDGE RD	242 CAMBRIDGE STREET	BURLINGTON MA	01803	447.98
KNUDSEN EDWARD G		PARTRIDGE RD	242 CAMBRIDGE STREET	BURLINGTON MA	01867	446.80
KNUDSEN EDWARD G		PARTRIDGE RD	242 CAMBRIDGE STREET	BURLINGTON MA	01803	446.80
KNUDSEN EDWARD G		QUAIL RUN	242 CAMBRIDGE STREET	BURLINGTON MA	01803	453.89
KNUDSEN EDWARD G		PARTRIDGE RD	242 CAMBRIDGE STREET	BURLINGTON MA	01803	446.80
KNUDSEN EDWARD G		PARTRIDGE RD	242 CAMBRIDGE STREET	BURLINGTON MA	01803	446.80
KNUDSEN EDWARD G		QUAIL RUN	242 CAMBRIDGE STREET	BURLINGTON MA	01803	447.98
KNUDSEN EDWARD G		PARTRIDGE RD	242 CAMBRIDGE STREET	BURLINGTON MA	01803	446.80
KNUDSEN EDWARD G		PARTRIDGE RD	242 CAMBRIDGE STREET	BURLINGTON MA	01803	446.80
KNUDSEN EDWARD G		QUAIL RUN	242 CAMBRIDGE STREET	BURLINGTON MA	01803	242.31
KNUDSEN EDWARD G		PARTRIDGE RD	242 CAMBRIDGE STREET	BURLINGTON MA	01803	395.97
KNUDSEN EDWARD G		QUAIL RUN	242 CAMBRIDGE STREET	BURLINGTON MA	01803	371.15
KRAMER ARTHUR W	0184	PLEASANT ST	184 PLEASANT ST	READING MA	01867	500.00
KRUEGER E WINIFRED	0094	DANA RD	94 DANA RD	READING MA	01867	1,332.99

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NAME		LOCATION	ADRESS			AMOUNT
LATHAM KENNETH C		OFF WALNUT ST	56 WALNUT ST	READING MA	01867	251.77
LAWN THOMAS E	0031	HILLCREST RD	31 HILLCREST ROAD	READING MA	01867	386.51
LECCESE ARTHUR C	0126+	HIGH ST	42 MARCIA ROAD	WILMINGTON MA	01887	330.96
LEFAVE RUSSELL J	0015	WILLOW ST	15 WILLOW ST	READING MA	01867	96.92
LEWIS JAMES J	0033	WOODLAND ST	33 WOODLAND ST	READING MA	01867	79.19
LEWIS WILLIAM M		OFF GROVE ST	230 GROVE STREET	READING MA	01867	336.87
LOWE STEVEN C	0021	FEDERAL ST	21 FEDERAL ST	READING MA	01867	91.01
LUCCHINI E EDWARD		CURTIS ST	16 CURTIS ST	READING MA	01867	86.29
LUFKIN GEORGE H		WOODLAND ST	42 INTERVALE TERR	READING MA	01867	75.65
LUNDBERG SVEN H	0069	DANA RD	69 DANA RD	READING MA	01867	95.74
MACDONALD EDWARD F	0570	PEARL ST	570 PEARL ST	READING MA	01867	2,317.84
MACDONALD GRACE L	0024	PINEVALE AVE	24 PINEVALE AVE	READING MA	01867	1,671.28
MACLEOD EVERETT W	0011	BIRCH RD	11 BIRCH ROAD	READING MA	01867	252.95
MANGION RAYMOND C	0055	INTERVALE TERR	55 INTERVALE TERR	READING MA	01867	139.48
MARCH WILLIS H	0030+	BERKELEY ST	32 BERKELEY ST	READING MA	01867	261.22
MARINO FRANK H	0021	GOVERNORS DR	21 GOVERNORS DR	READING MA	01867	59.10
MARVIN JOSEPH L	0972	MAIN ST	972 MAIN ST	READING MA	01867	148.93
MCDONOUGH DAVID F	0938	MAIN ST	938 MAIN ST	READING MA	01867	74.47
MCGINTY PHILIP	0066	LIBBY AVE	19 PARSONS ST	BRIGHTON MA	02135	175.53
MCNAMARA LEO V,TR		MAIN ST	1321 MAIN ST	READING MA	01867	1,037.80
MCSHEEHY FRANCES E	0014	HARVARD ST	14 HARVARD ST	READING MA	01867	189.12
MEELIA EDWIN F	0017	MARLA LN	17 MARLA LN	READING MA	01867	44.92
MELLEN ANNIE E	0609	HAVERHILL ST	PO BOX 152-609 HAVERHI	READING MA	01867	140.66
MELLEN JAMES A		LOW MEADOW	52 OAKLEY ROAD	BELMONT MA	02178	397.15
MENTZER HENRY	0126	OAK ST	126 OAK ST	READING MA	01867	373.51
MERULLO LEONARD R	0159	SUMMER AVE	159 SUMMER AVE	READING MA	01867	141.84
MEURER PAUL J	0688	HAVERHILL ST	688 HAVERHILL ST	READING MA	01867	619.37
MIESFELDT HERBERT C		OFF ASH ST	REAR 252 ASH ST	READING MA	01867	517.72
MITCHELL CHRISTOPHER S	0033	AUBURN ST	33 AUBURN ST	READING MA	01867	325.00
MITCHELL WILLIAM B	0080	WASHINGTON ST	80 WASHINGTON ST	READING MA	01867	42.55
MOBERGER WILLIAM C	0149	HOPKINS ST	149 HOPKINS ST	READING MA	01867	175.00
MORIARTY JOHN W	0116	LOWELL ST	116 LOWELL ST	READING MA	01867	156.02
MUCICA MICHAEL J	0025	CHERRY LANE DR	25 CHERRY LN DR	READING MA	01867	23.64
MUELLER VICTOR E	0003	GEORGE ST	3 GEORGE ST	READING MA	01867	500.00
MURPHY LAURENE A	0256	GROVE ST	256 GROVE ST	READING MA	01867	561.45
MURPHY PAUL A	0012	CUMBERLAND RD	12 CUMBERLAND RD	READING MA	01867	224.58
NELSON ARTHUR K	0002	WARREN AVE	2 WARREN AVE	READING MA	01867	221.03
NICHOLS STUART R	1019	MAIN ST	1019 MAIN ST	READING MA	01867	500.00
NICHOLS STUART R	1019	MAIN ST	1019 MAIN ST	READING MA	01867	1,611.05
NOYES WILLIAM R	0110	RUSTIC LN	110 RUSTIC LANE	READING MA	01867	133.57
O'LEARY PATRICK J	0054	FEDERAL ST	54 FEDERAL ST	READING MA	01867	325.05
OBRIEN MAURICE J	0056	WAKEFIELD ST	56 WAKEFIELD ST	READING MA	01867	39.01
OCONNELL GERALDINE E	0100+	WASHINGTON ST	100 WASHINGTON ST	READING MA	01867	112.29
ORTH PHILLIP	0048	WHITTIER RD	48 WHITTIER RD	READING MA	01867	182.03
PASKOWSKY WALTER G	0038	SELFRIDGE RD	38 SELFRIDGE RD	READING MA	01867	2,007.04
PATTERSON HAROLD M	0015	PEARL ST	15 PEARL ST	READING MA	01867	63.83
PELUSO LINDA A	0008	SPRINGVALE RD	8 SPRINGVALE ROAD	READING MA	01867	66.19
PHELAN JOHN J	0016	KENSINGTON AVE	16 KENSINGTON AVE	READING MA	01867	280.13
QUINN FELIX P	0073	VAN NORDEN RD	VILLAGE RD	DANVERS MA	01923	1,390.03
QUINN FELIX P		W OF MAIN ST	VILLAGE RD SUITE 100	DANVERS MA	01923	936.14
QUINN FELIX P ETAL	0079	VAN NORDEN RD	VILLAGE ROAD SUITE 100	DANVERS MA	01923	1,836.83
QUINN FELIX P ETAL		SLEDGE WOODS	VILLAGE RD SUITE 100	DANVERS MA	01923	268.31
QUINN FELIX P ETAL TRS		MAIN ST	VILLAGE RD SUITE 100	DANVERS MA	01923	828.58
QUINN FELIX P ETAL TRUSTEES		OFF VAN NORDEN RD	VILLAGE ROAD SUITE 100	DANVERS MA	01923	88.65

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FY90 ABATEMENTS

NAME		LOCATION	ADRESS			AMOUNT
QUINN FELIX P ETAL TRUSTEES		OFF VAN NORDEN RD	VILLAGE ROAD SUITE 100	DANVERS MA	01923	70.92
RASETTA ELIZABETH A	0225	SOUTH ST	225 SOUTH ST	READING MA	01867	175.00
RAWDING DAVID A	0011	PROSPECT ST	11 PROSPECT ST	READING MA	01867	216.31
REINIGER DAVID G	0039	MILL ST	39 MILL ST	READING MA	01867	11.82
RESNIK EDWARD J	0419	GROVE ST	419 GROVE ST	READING MA	01867	302.59
REYNOLDS ARTHUR J	0033	HILLSIDE RD	33 HILLSIDE RD	READING MA	01867	65.01
RICE WILSON E	1071	MAIN ST	1071 MAIN ST	READING MA	01867	30.73
RIVERS DEVELOPMENT CORP		N OF FRANKLIN ST	20 BRENTWOOD DRIVE	READING MA	01867	2,471.56
RIVERS JOHN R		OFF SANBORN LN	20 BRENTWOOD DR	READING MA	01867	388.88
RIVERS JOHN R	0020	BRENTWOOD DR	20 BRENTWOOD DR	READING MA	01867	535.45
RIVERS JOHN R TR	0632+	MAIN ST	20 BRENTWOOD DRIVE	READING MA	01867	631.19
RIVERS JOHN R TRUSTEE	0024	GOULD ST	24 GOULD STREET	READING MA	01867	1,488.14
RIVERS JOHN R TRUSTEE	0020	GOULD ST	24 GOULD STREET	READING MA	01867	367.60
RPB PROPERTIES INC	0069	GREEN ST	11 BUTTERCUP LANE	DOVER MA	02030	85.10
RUDERMAN JOSEPH	0129	HIGH ST	129 HIGH ST	READING MA	01867	175.00
RUSZKOWSKI JAMES A		FOREST ST	76 FOREST ST	READING MA	01867	451.52
RUTKAUSKAS JOHN G	0010	HARRISON ST	10 HARRISON ST	READING MA	01867	100.47
RYAN THOMAS J	0087	DANA RD	87 DANA RD	READING MA	01867	37.82
SCHELLENBACH RICHARD R	0012	WHITEHALL LN	12 WHITEHALL LN	READING MA	01867	131.20
SCOTT JANET E	0011	WOOD END LN	11 WOOD END LANE	READING MA	01867	328.60
SEAWARD HAROLD E	0368	PEARL ST	368 PEARL ST	READING MA	01867	81.56
SHERMAN PATRICIA B	0123	PRESCOTT ST	123 PRESCOTT ST	READING MA	01867	223.40
SHIELDS SUSAN N	0089	WOBURN ST	89 WOBURN ST	READING MA	01867	224.58
SIAS CARL W	0142	COUNTY RD	142 COUNTY RD	READING MA	01867	141.84
SIMPSON GERALD M		DUSTIN RD	24 DUSTIN RD	READING MA	01867	225.76
SORRENTINO LOUIS C	0015	LINNEA LN	15 LINNEA LN	READING MA	01867	175.00
STEIN NORMAN A	0038	HARTSHORN ST	38 HARTSHORN ST	READING MA	01867	108.74
STORER EDITH E	0065	VAN NORDEN RD	65 VAN NORDEN RD	READING MA	01867	175.00
STRAND HAROLD P	0010+	PIERCE ST	10 PIERCE ST	READING MA	01867	901.87
SULLIVAN LEONE M	0120	HOWARD ST	120 HOWARD STREET	READING MA	01867	215.12
SUNRISE HOMES INC		FOREST ST	114 BOSTON STREET	NO.ANDOVER MA	01845	1,017.70
SWYTER DAVID M	0098	HARTSHORN ST	98 HARTSHORN ST	READING MA	01867	66.19
TARASUK FRANCIS P	0055	TERRACE PARK	55 TERRACE PARK	READING MA	01867	260.04
THE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST	0211	SUMMER AVE	211 SUMMER AVE	READING MA	01867	2,129.96
THOMPSON CLIFFORD B	0009	ROBIN RD	9 ROBIN RD	READING MA	01867	127.66
THOMPSON JOHN EARLE	0011	GRAND ST	11 GRAND STREET	READING MA	01867	200.94
TURPIN KENNETH B	0136	GROVE ST	10 FAR VIEW HILLS ROAD	BRIGHTON NY	14610	217.49
UNSWORTH RAYMOND R	0021	SANBORN ST	BOX 4060	SO.BURLINGTON VT	05403	1,079.17
VANT LESLIE M	0051	FOREST ST	51 FOREST ST	READING MA	01867	78.01
VANT STUART L	0055	FOREST ST	55 FOREST ST	READING MA	01867	20.09
VARNEY JAMES J	0064	VILLAGE ST	64 VILLAGE ST	READING MA	01867	186.76
WATSON WILLIAM K	0018	ELM ST	18 ELM ST	READING MA	01867	138.29
WHITE MYRTLE M	0033	SALEM ST	145 WASHINGTON ST	READING MA	01867	488.17
WIDZINSKI MARK C	0059	HILLCREST RD	59 HILLCREST ROAD	READING MA	01867	79.19
WINNELL JOHN	0033	CANTERBURY DR	33 CANTERBURY DR	READING MA	01867	204.49
WISEMAN MORRIS	0267	CHARLES ST	267 CHARLES ST	READING MA	01867	2,113.35
WOOD THEODORE N	0056+	MT VERNON ST	23 HARTSHORN ST	READING MA	01867	314.41
WOODS CHARLES L		FRANKLIN ST	486 FRANKLIN ST	READING MA	01867	1,046.07
ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHBISHOP	0027	BAINBRIDGE RD	1 LAKE ST	BRIGHTON MA	02135	4.15
TOWN OF READING	0270	PEARL ST	270 PEARL ST	READING MA	01867	104.98
UNITED CHURCH HOMES		BAY STATE RD	25 WOBURN ST	READING MA	01867	1.18

TOTAL NUMBER OF ABATEMENTS: 213
AMOUNT: 102,139.07

TOWN OF READING
FY89 ABATEMENTS

NAME		LOCATION	ADRESS			AMOUNT
BLAKE CURTIS L	0228	MAIN ST	C/O 1855 BOSTON RD	NO.WILBRAHAM MA	00000	1,007.17
FILOSI LOUIS T	0120	WEST ST	120 WEST ST	READING MA	01867	3,553.65
GELB ATHUR ETAL, TRS		WALKERS BROOK DR	55 WALKERS BROOK DR	READING MA	01867	13,340.00
MALCOLM HAZEL V	1503	MAIN ST	1503 MAIN ST	READING MA	01867	20.01
SPRAGUE ARDELL M	0049	HAVEN ST	12 HARRIMAN AVE	READING MA	01867	334.83

OTAL NUMBER OF ABATEMENTS: 5
MOUNT: 18,255.66

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"Senior Volunteers stuff property taxes into envelopes at Town Hall. Barbara Ritchie (left) and Violet Kyle (right) with Town Treasurer Beth Klepeis."

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS
TRUST FUND ACTIVITY
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1990

	BALANCE JULY 1,1989		RECEIPTS			DISBURSEMENTS		BALANCE JUNE 30,1990	
	NONEXPENDABLE	EXPENDABLE	BEQUESTS	INVESTMENT INCOME	TRANSFERS IN	EXPENDITURES	TRANSFERS OUT	NONEXPENDABLE	EXPENDABLE
	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
CEMETERY FUNDS:									
CHARLES LAWN	107,210	27,179	8,620	15,052			15,000	115,830	27,231
FOREST GLEN	371,718	249,644	101,735	64,009		8,500	26,000	473,453	279,153
LAUREL HILL	216,850	134,193	820	33,221			20,000	217,670	147,414
TOTAL CEMETERY FUNDS	695,778	411,016	111,175	112,282		8,500	61,000	806,953	453,798
HOSPITAL FUNDS:									
STEPHEN FOSTER	3,872	23,907		2,194				3,872	26,101
ANNE S. GROUARD	75,000	692,456		73,008				75,000	765,464
GILMAN L. PARKER	35,000	1,517,673		167,675		31,860		35,000	1,653,488
TOTAL HOSPITAL FUNDS	113,872	2,234,036		242,877		31,860		113,872	2,445,053
LIBRARY FUNDS:									
APPLETON/MANSFIELD	11,000	17,324		2,325				11,000	19,649
EDWARD APPLETON	5,000	6,050		1,436				5,000	7,486
R/M BABCOCK	3,598	4,470		708				3,598	5,178
STEPHEN FOSTER	12,000	9,719		2,011				12,000	11,730
HELEN SYMONDS		1,139		90					1,229
CHARLES TORREY	1,000	802		115				1,000	917
DONALD TUTTLE	500	353		31				500	384
SUMNER NOYES		25,774		2,145					27,919
TOTAL LIBRARY FUNDS	33,098	65,631		8,861				33,098	74,492
SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS:									
KENNETH BROWN	1,000	1,168		210		25		1,000	1,353
NATHANIEL HILL	1,500	303		171		125		1,500	349
NO. RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION	11,370	1,633		1,320				11,370	2,953
GILMAN L. PARKER	5,000	2,765		880		750		5,000	2,895
TORRE		5,444		735					6,179
CARL SAWYER	5,000	1,604		624				5,000	2,228
EXEMPLARY TEACHER AWARD:									
ARNOLD BERGER	6,856	292		680		500		6,856	472
EDUCATION LOAN FUND:									
WINTHROP PARKER	7,883			(3)				7,880	
TOTAL EDUCATION FUNDS	38,609	13,209		4,617		1,400		38,606	16,429

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS
TRUST FUND ACTIVITY
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1990

	BALANCE JULY 1,1989		RECEIPTS			DISBURSEMENTS		BALANCE JUNE 30,1990	
	NONEXPENDABLE	EXPENDABLE	BEQUESTS	INVESTMENT INCOME	TRANSFERS IN	EXPENDITURES	TRANSFERS OUT	NONEXPENDABLE	EXPENDABLE
	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
ELDER SERVICES:									
AVIS E. SCHROEDER			10,000					10,000	
CONSERVATION FUND		1,676		146		146			1,676
WORKER COMPENSATION FUND		110,641		12,613	298,871	379,270			42,855
MUNICIPAL LIGHT PENSION FUND		6,863,880		557,939	433,113	608,372			7,246,560
	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
TOTAL TRUST FUNDS	881,357	9,700,089	121,175	939,335	731,984	1,029,548	61,000	1,002,529	10,280,863

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Because of the State economic and political climate, 1990 brought many challenges to Town government in Reading, but especially in fiscal and personnel areas. Two long-term members of the Board of Selectmen announced in early January that they would not seek re-election. Although Selectman John Russell announced he would not seek a fourth term on the Board, and Selectmen Mollie Ziegler indicated that she would not seek a third term, both confirmed that they would be candidates for Town Meeting membership. In the March 19, 1990 election, George V. Hines and Sally M. Hoyt were elected to the Board of Selectmen. Following the election, the Board of Selectmen reorganized and elected Daniel A. Ensminger, Vice Chairman and George V. Hines, Secretary. Russell T. Graham was re-elected Chairman of the Board of Selectmen for another one-year term.

Photo by Don Young, courtesy of The Reading Chronicle

"Selectmen and Tree Warden accept Tree City USA award"

Water Supply

An ongoing problem with contamination from North Reading, which caused Well 82-20 to be closed in December, 1988, was the subject of much discussion and negotiation throughout the year. Working with the State Department of Environmental Protection and involved parties, a fair and equitable settlement was reached in early 1991 which will help protect our valuable water supply sites and ensure the quality of Reading's drinking water for many years to come. The Board of Selectmen also endorsed a study of land uscs in the Aquifer Protection District which will be undertaken by the Conservation Commission, and appointed members to a regional water supply protection committee formed by the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission.

Solid Waste Disposal

Faced with an astronomical tipping fee increase for trash disposal at the RESCO plant, the Board of Selectmen explored alternative solutions. In addition to participating in joint litigation with other affected communities, the Town decided to adopt new trash rules and regulations, which include a curbside recycling program. The recycling program has been very successful at reducing the waste tonnage, and may be expanded in the future. The leaf compost area continued to be another successful alternative to disposing of yard waste at the RESCO plant. In the fall, a monthly plastics recycling program began as an Eagle Scout project, and has been very effective with a high degree of resident participation.

Regional Cooperation

The Board of Selectmen continued to support regional cooperation, and heard a presentation on MetroPlan 2000 from the Metropolitan Area Planning Council. Reading also hosted a North Suburban Planning Council Meeting, at which transportation improvements- specifically, the Industriplex Connector and the Route 129/I-93 Interchange--was discussed.

A successful, legislated settlement was reached between the Reading Municipal Light Department and the Towns of Wilmington, North Reading, and Lynnfield which the Department serves.

Also, the Board of Selectmen held a joint session with the North Reading Selectmen concerning sanitary facilities for a proposed condominium development at that Town's border. Effects on the Reading sewer system

were studied, and the Reading Board of Selectmen did not approve the connection.

Reading was proud to be honored for the 5th year as a Tree City, U.S.A., and the Board of Selectmen and the Tree Warden accepted the Arbor Day presentation from the Department of Environmental Management.

The 350th Anniversary Committee continues to plan for the 350th celebration in 1994. The Board of Selectmen voted to endorse the 350th logo design selected in a contest sponsored by the Committee. The Board, in a joint letter with the 350th Committee, also invited officials of Reading, England, to attend the celebration in 1994.

A legislative agenda was drafted, discussed and the priorities determined by vote. The Board of Selectmen then presented the Town's agenda to our State Senators and Representative. Prioritizing this agenda has been especially helpful for our newly-elected legislators.

Facilities

The renovated Town Hall buildings and new connector were dedicated in February, 1990 and the public open house was well-attended in spite of bad weather. The new Fire Headquarters Building was also completed and dedicated in October. Following the public ceremony, many families enjoyed touring the facility and viewing the firefighting equipment and trucks.

The MBTA has substantially completed the upgrading and renovation of the Reading Depot area and the new MBTA parking lot opened in early 1991.

Imagination Station, the adventure playground in Birch Meadow, financed and constructed by volunteers, was completed and opened in the fall of 1990. The Board of Selectmen congratulates the fine community spirit and effort behind this achievement.

The Board also congratulated the businesses and individuals who had participated in the "Adopt an Island" program. Through their contributions, various traffic islands throughout Reading were creatively landscaped.

Photo by Don Young, courtesy of The Reading Chronicle

"Selectmen honor 'Adopt An Island' Donors"

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The Board of Selectmen endorsed the filing of a grant application to convert the former Central Fire Station to a Senior Center. Although this application was not approved, we were only two from the cutoff point, and the Board is optimistic for a future granting process.

Real Estate

Although the sale of the landfill property to Homart has been extended rather than completed, and the Bear Hill site is not currently under agreement, the Board of Selectmen remains hopeful about the sale of these properties when the Massachusetts economy revitalizes.

The Board authorized the leasing of the former Police Annex to the Criminal Justice Training Commission, and the leasing of a portion of the Woburn Street Fire Station to North Shore Emergency Management Systems. A Request For Proposal is being formulated to determine the best disposition of the former Pearl Street School, which is currently under lease to several different tenants.

Traffic Concerns

Because of lack of school bussing, the need to reduce traffic problems around the schools became even more critical. New regulations were voted by the Board of Selectmen and modifications made to the intersections of Oak Street and Summer Avenue and Edgemont Avenue and West Street. Safety concerns also prompted modifications at Charles and Main Street, and traffic turning and stopping restrictions in the East Side Neighborhood streets of John, Pleasant, Wilson, Manning and Eaton Streets. Further review of traffic regulations is anticipated as the recommendations of our traffic consultants on a town-wide study are investigated and discussed.

Working with the Historical Commission, the Board of Selectmen developed a formal policy to be followed whenever changes are proposed to the Town Common.

Budget

Budget deliberations were complicated by a number of uncertainties, and involved many different scenarios because of the variables of local aid from the State and the potential outcome of a ballot question to override Proposition 2-1/2. The defeat of the override question led to a very difficult cutback in hours for some personnel and the layoff of several police officers.

On a more positive note, several overdue union contracts were successfully negotiated and signed during 1990, and all the unions finally reached an agreement on the new health insurance plan adopted by the Town in 1990. (The health insurance plan became a necessity after notification by Blue Cross and Blue Shield that the Town's current plan would be terminated.)

Local residents formed the 80-10-10 Committee to raise funds through private contributions. The successful campaign donated the money contributed to the Board of Selectmen for use by the Schools, the Library, and the Elder Services Division in the above percentages (80-10-10).

The Board of Selectmen held a retreat in the early fall to try to establish goals and objectives, and to review the capital planning process. The Board continues to examine and review all municipal expenditures to ensure that we are getting the best value for our dollars and to cut our operating costs wherever possible. A Legal Services Selection Committee has been established to evaluate the purchase of legal services, and the Board has continued discussion with the School Committee and citizens on several options to balance the budget, including a trash fee.

Although fiscal constraints and the resulting personnel and program cutbacks have made 1990 a very challenging and difficult year, the Board of Selectmen thanks all the citizens of Reading for their support through these financially-troubled times, and credits and congratulates staff and volunteers for making Town government in Reading a success.

Respectfully submitted,
THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Russell T. Graham, Chairman
Daniel A. Ensminger, Vice Chairman
George V. Hines, Secretary
Sally M. Hoyt
Eugene R. Nigro

TOWN CLERK

1990 brought a new Town Clerk to Reading with the appointment of Catherine A. Quimby on February 4, 1990. Part-time principal Clerk Aileen Shaw served as Acting Town Clerk from the time of Doris Fantasia's resignation in November 1989. Margaret Howe transferred from the Cemetery Department July 1st, due to reduced staffing in that division, to fill the vacant position of Administrative Secretary for the Clerk's Office. Irene Palaima, full time principal clerk, remains coordinator of the Town Census as well as

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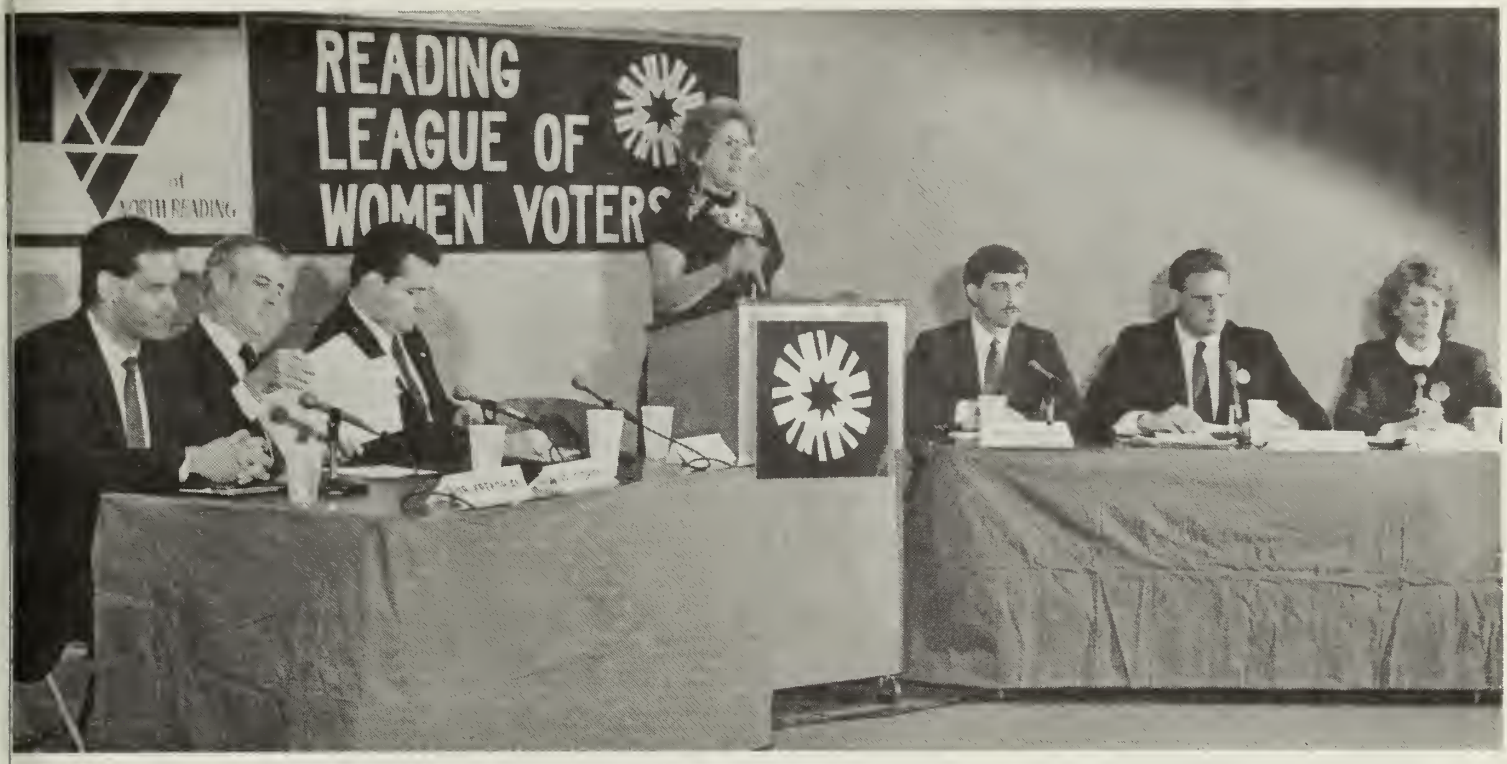

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"Town Clerk moderates election forum"

a general back-up for all positions within the department. This relatively "new" staff embarked on what might be termed an unprecedented year with regard to election activity. March saw a local election generate the largest local election voter turnout ever: 57.5%. This election ballot, which included Reading's attempt to override Proposition 2-1/2, as well as many contested races, produced a tremendous increase in new registrants and the number of absentce voters. Three hundred ninety three citizens registered for the first time during the special sessions held prior to March 19th. In addition 214 citizens voted via absentee ballot. Most local elections generate under fifty absentee ballots and an equally low number of new registrants. Although this tremendously increased voter interest resulted in a similar increase in office work, it created a presence of excitement not usually evidenced with a local election.

The State Primary Election, September 18th, again broke all records in voter participation. Seven hundred eighty-five citizens registered to vote for the first time and 195 citizens voted via absentee ballot. This election ballot contained a spirited race for the State Representative and Senate seats. Sixty-five percent of the 13,962 registered voters exercised their right to vote. This election recorded 5,216 Democratic votes and 3,855 Republican votes. Approximately 6,000 citizens of the 9,071 voters chose to change their party designation back to "Independent." The recording of this primary vote and change of party designations created a tremendous impact on the office workload. It is hoped that the election area of the Clerk's office is computerized before the next primary election.

In what seemed to be an immediate turn-around, we started preparing for the State Election, November 6th. This election broke all records with 86% of the voters participating. Five hundred and fifty-seven new registrants were recorded between the Primary and November election and this election reached an all time high of 550 citizens voting absentee.

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Supervising three elections consumed a great amount of the Clerk's time this first year and I am thankful that I had so many wonderful, dedicated people working with me. I could not have survived without them - office staff and election workers are all to be commended for a job well done!

Board Of Registrars:

The Board of Registrars, C. Dewey Smith, Chairperson, Edward Donald Winkler, Pearl E. Malphrus, and Town Clerk, Catherine A. Quimby certified signatures for all candidates to be placed on the State November ballot. Each individual signature requires certification by the Board that the individual is a current registered voter within the Town of Reading. In addition to nomination papers, seven different ballot questions required signature certification. It was a very busy time for the Registrars who spent many hours accomplishing the above.

The Board of Registrars also held special registration sessions prior to each of the three elections in 1990. A total of 1,781 new voters were registered during 1990 .

Census:

As mandated by law, the Annual Town Census was conducted during the month of January. The census was conducted entirely by mail, with computer preprinted forms sent to each household in Reading (8,100). The information contained on the forms was to be reviewed for accuracy by the occupant, and returned to the Board of Registrars.

This census information provides necessary school grade statistics; the list of persons seventeen years of age and over, as required by law (Annual Street List); Jury Lists; and the Annual list of Registered Voters. Seven hundred and thirty voters were dropped from the Voting List in 1990 due to their failure to return their census form. Before dropping them each citizen receives a second notification advising that they will be removed.

Town Meeting:

Annual Town Meeting in April (11 sessions) and Subsequent Town Meeting (4 sessions), in November, both with Special Town Meetings, met for a total of 15 sessions. It was necessary to call a Special Town Meeting on September 13, 1990 to accept the provisions of General Laws Chapter 32B, Section 7A with regard to the Town's share of health costs. All actions taken are reported elsewhere.

STATISTICS:

During the calendar year of January 1, 1990 through December 31, 1990, the following Vital Statistics were recorded in this office:

Births	245
Deaths	168
Marriages	169

During the same calendar year, 1052 dog licenses were issued as follows:

Male dogs	244
Altered male dogs	245
Spayed female dogs	492
Female dogs	68
Kennels	3

A total of 679 Fish and Wildlife Licenses were issued during the year 1990, amounting to $7,301 collected of which only $286 was retained by the Town.

Total receipts collected in the Clerk's office for the calendar year 1990 amounted to $35,986.

Sincerely,
Catherine A. Quimby
Town Clerk

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POPULATION TOTALS

Pct.	UNDER 17 Male	UNDER 17 Female	UNDER 17 Total	17 AND OVER Male	17 AND OVER Female	17 AND OVER Total	Totals
1	325	336	661	1,110	1,175	2,285	2,969
2	265	259	524	857	973	1,830	2,405
3	287	285	572	947	1,032	1,979	2,754
4	352	323	675	1,088	1,136	2,224	2,934
5	280	276	556	904	970	1,874	2,548
6	307	302	609	1,010	1,125	2,135	2,792
7	354	336	690	1,000	1,133	2,133	2,882
8	328	340	668	1,101	1,226	2,327	3,063
	2,498	2,457	4,955	8,017	8,770	16,787	22,347

REGISTERED VOTERS

Pct.	Democrat	Republican	Independent	Total
1	567	399	961	1,927
2	507	265	830	1,602
3	538	346	835	1,719
4	610	478	908	1,996
5	516	342	757	1,615
6	671	399	838	1,908
7	530	391	966	1,887
8	611	443	933	1,987
	4,550	3,063	7,028	14,641

GENERAL SERVICES

REPORT OF THE TOWN COUNSEL

1990 marked Tyler & Reynolds Professional Corporation's 18th year as Town Counsel to the Town of Reading, and the principal attorneys representing the Town this year were H Theodore Cohen, Ronald C. Kaczynski and Jeffrey R. Gould. In addition to general legal services which have been rendered on a regular basis to virtually all of the Town's officers, boards, committees and departments, specific legal matters of concern to the Town fell into several general categories: real estate and related zoning issues, the enforcement of Town boards' and officers' actions, special education appeals, election questions and Town Meeting matters.

In the area of real estate, Town Counsel has been involved with monitoring the contamination of the Town's wellfield, determining what parties are responsible for such contamination and analyzing the ability of the Town to litigate or otherwise resolve its claims with some of the potentially responsible parties. Unfortunately, due to the downturn in the economy, we were involved in negotiating revisions to the Purchase and Sale Agreement relating to the sale of the Bear Hill Nike site which transaction was ultimately terminated by the potential purchaser and in monitoring the sale of the Town's former landfill to Homart Development Co., which sale continues to be stalled while Homart searches for a new hotel partner and waits for a change in the region's economy. In regard to zoning matters, we have been involved with several lawsuits to enforce the Town's Zoning Bylaws as they relate to the operation of a boarding house in a residential district and the operation of a clothing alteration business in a residential district.

With regard to enforcement of Town boards' and officers' actions, we have been involved in numerous cases challenging Board of Appeals' decisions on variances and special permits, appeals from the Conservation Commission's wetlands determinations, litigation which upheld the Town's Bylaw relating to the hours of operation of retail businesses and several actions relating to the grant, denial or modification of benefits by the Town's Contributory Retirement Board.

In the area of special education appeals, there have been numerous cases arising under the Massachusetts and Federal Special Education laws which have either been resolved by upholding the Town's placement or by a settlement as advantageous as possible to the Town.

Other major litigation matters included advising the Town on and monitoring the lawsuit brought by a number of municipalities - including Reading - against RESCO challenging RESCO's charges to the Town for the use of and modifications to its solid waste disposal facilities and monitoring litigation brought by a number of municipalities relating to investments made by the Municipal Light Department and other utilities in the Seabrook nuclear facility.

In addition, we were involved with many matters relating to the Board of Assessors, the Board of Health, the Community Planning and Development Commission and the Conservation Commission, including the Conservation Commission's recent major revision of its rules and regulations and the Town's Wetlands Bylaw.

General legal services were also provided with regard to the Annual Town Meeting, all Special Town Meetings and the Subsequent Town Meeting and with regard to election issues relating to Proposition 2-1/2 overrides and the proposed debt exclusion override.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
TOWN COUNSEL,
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TOWN MANAGER

As we began the year 1990, the Town of Reading as well as other municipalities around the Commonwealth faced many fiscal problems. It was a difficult year but I am encouraged by the spirit of cooperation among all facets of local government. Together we met the problems head on and our achievements were many. This report will highlight some of the major events of the past year.

Financial Issues

Dominating the financial picture as we began the new year was the uncertainty regarding state aid to cities and towns, the increase in tipping fees for disposal of our trash at RESCO, and the fate of an override to Proposition 2 1/2.

The failure of the $1.553 million override meant a significant reduction in all areas of government. Preservation of the most essential services, specifi-

cally schools and public safety, was the primary objective. In addition, every effort was made to maintain services to people in need of the various human services provided by the Town while at the same time observing the Town's commitment to quality financial management.

Along with other communities, the Town indicated that it would remain with the current contract with RESCO for FY91 and would begin negotiations regarding a long-term contract at mid-year. In addition, the Town joined the other communities in litigation against RESCO's decision to pass through the cost of installing new controls at its Saugus facility. Recycling steps taken by the Town to reduce the amount of trash to be hauled away are discussed in greater detail elsewhere in this report.

On the plus side, the Reading Community Action 80-10-10 Committee raised a total of $36,000 which was divided among the School Department, the Library and the Division of Elder Services with the School Department receiving 80%. While not a solution to the Town's long-term funding needs, this temporary assistance was much appreciated.

We had a successful response to bidding for office supplies. The new supplier, OPCO, came in at a 48% discount from the list price compared to the 30% offered by our former supplier.

In August, the Town received notice that a grant from the Commonwealth had been approved for half the cost of the Water Treatment Plant expansion. Additional funding for this project may be forthcoming.

We were not as fortunate in securing funding to convert the former Central Fire Station into a Senior Citizen Center.

Personnel

With so many negatives this past year, it was encouraging to know that based on a sample of approximately 50 communities represented at an ICMA Training Session on Personnel, Reading placed among the top five in terms of its personnel system and policies.

Several major events took place in 1990 in this area. A single sick leave bank for the three AFSCME Unions and all non-union personnel was negotiated and approved by the Board of Selectmen.

Effective June 1, Massachusetts Interlocal Insurance Association, Inc. (MIIA) took over the management of our Workers' Compensation program with Frank B. Hall Risk Management, Inc. doing the day-to-day administration. This has proved to be cost-effective and has provided more timely handling of WC cases.

After a long series of negotiations, the choice of John Hancock/Harvard Community Health to administer the Town's Health Insurance program was ratified by all bargaining units and approved by the Board of Selectmen.

The Town was saddened by the loss of Marion Gould, Administrative Assistant in the Department of Human Services, who passed away following a lengthy illness. Her sense of humor, her dedication to her job and fellow workers will be missed.

The Town's decision to pay employees on a biweekly basis was grieved by the Reading Firefighters Association and went to arbitration. The arbitrator ruled in the Town's favor.

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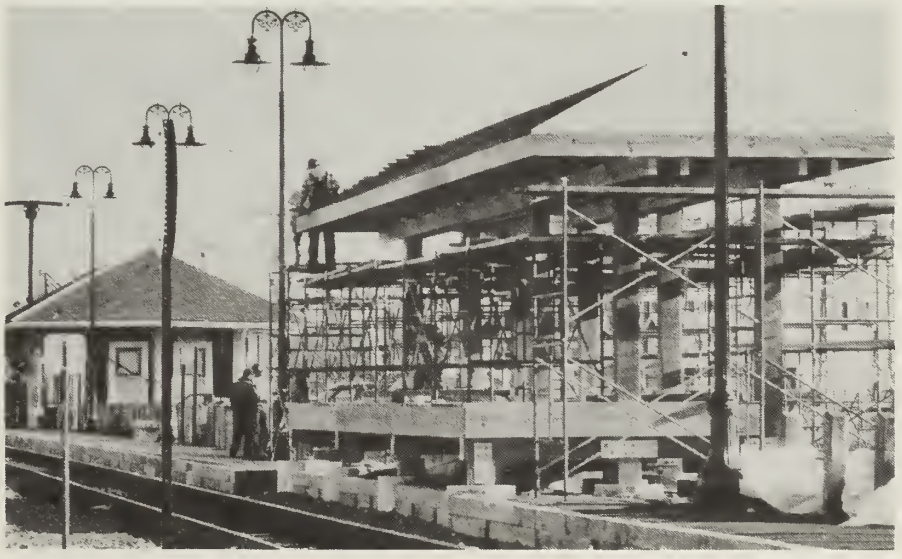
"Improvements to Reading Depot area under construction by MBTA"



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At the beginning of FY91, layoff notices were given to May DiPietro, the half-time Clerk in the Department of General Services, and four Police Officers - Officers Cryts, McKenna, Tulipano, and MacKay. Three of the officers were employed by the MBTA and Officer MacKay was recalled. Steve Baer's position in Public Works/Engineering Division was eliminated. In the Department of General Services/Personnel Division, Valerie Kelly retired and her duties were distributed among employees in Finance and General Services.

Retirements and resignations required recruiting efforts to fill several positions. The quality and quantity of applicants was outstanding and the following people joined the Town's work force: Catherine Quimby was appointed Town Clerk; William Robertson was named Director of Public Works-Engineering; Henry Vik retired and was replaced by Robert Keating as Cemetery Director; Tamsen Almeida assumed Bette Pack's role as Outreach Worker in the Department of Human Services following Bette's retirement; Leslie Wexler replaced Joseph Giordano as Recreation Supervisor; Donald Nadeau was appointed Conservation Administrator.

Organizational

Central dispatching within the Public Safety Department became a reality this year.

In May, the Uniform Procurement Act which applies to every contract for the procurement of supplies, services or real property and for disposing of supplies or real property by a governmental body became effective. A new purchase order system was installed and training in its usage was offered.

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"Town Hall renovations underway"

Supplementing the monthly meetings with Reading Municipal Light Department, a series of monthly meetings with the Superintendent of Schools to talk about issues of common interest has produced positive results. Both the Finance Director and the Town Accountant have contributed greatly to this endeavor.

Facilities

1990 was the year that some long-awaited building projects were completed. By February, the Town Hall renovations were accomplished and the dedication took place. Following completion of the courtyard, Town employees contributed to the purchase of a tree which was planted and dedicated to the memory of Marion Gould. And, this past fall, the new Fire Headquarters Building became operational. The dedication was well attended in spite of adverse weather conditions.

NorthEast Emergency Medical Services, Inc. is leasing 310 square feet of office space at the Woburn Street Fire Station made vacant when the Fire Chief and his staff moved to the new Fire Headquarters Building. In addition, the Massachusetts Criminal Justice Training Council (MCJTC) is occupying space at the Police Annex building. Under terms of the lease, MCJTC is responsible for all costs incurred for utilities at this facility.

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"Artist Dick Grant, carving the sign he donated to Imagination Station"

In connection with the proposed sale of the Pearl Street School, an independent property appraisal was completed in 1990. It is anticipated that a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the sale and re-use of the school will be issued in early 1991. In the meantime, all tenant's leases were renewed through June 30, 1991.

As 1990 came to a close, the installation of a new phone system for all Town and School facilities appears to be imminent. The consultant has completed all preliminary work, quotes have been solicited and the awarding of a contract will be accomplished in early 1991.

Imagination Station became a reality last fall. The Friends of the Playground raised over $62,000, enough to cover all expenses and with money left over to contribute to the maintenance fund. Volunteers of all ages gave their time and energies to assemble the structures that make up a truly unique facility for the children of Reading.

General Business

Work on the Master Plan process was reactivated this past year and a Townwide Traffic Study was undertaken. In addition, a Parking/Traffic/Transportation Task Force was established consisting of the Director of Public Works, Director of Community Development, Police and Fire Chiefs and the Town Manager. The purpose of this task force is to evaluate requested changes in parking/traffic/transportation issues within the Town.

New Rubbish Collection Rules and Regulations were adopted in June and recycling began in earnest in October. Bright red recycling boxes were distributed to all households and are now a familiar sight at curbside on rubbish days. Curbside recycling of cans, bottles and newspapers was supplemented by plastics recycling under the direction of Michael Shannon as an Eagle Scout project. Composting was also encouraged with a large number of residents transporting their leaves and grass clippings to the compost center.

Reading Town Well #82-80 continued to be a matter of concern throughout 1990. Interaction among the Department of Public Works, the Conservation Commission, GE, and the Towns of Reading, Wilmington and North Reading proceeded with satisfactory settlement in sight.

Construction work by the MBTA in the depot area neared conclusion as the new year approached. Improved lighting, attractive landscaping, handicap access, paved parking lots with well-defined parking spaces are among the improvements in that area.

Community Relations

During 1990 the Town Manager interacted frequently with the Chamber of Commerce on matters of mutual concern to the Town and the business community. A dialogue began in 1990 with the legislators representing Reading regarding issues of interest to the community. This continues into 1991.

The Town Manager meets monthly with town managers and administrators from other communities in Middlesex and Essex Counties. At

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these breakfast meetings thc administrators have a chance to discuss items of general interest or solutions to spccific problcms.

A Shadow Program conducted on Student Government Day which involved students at the High School and department managers was mutually stimulating. The purpose of this program was to enable students to learn more about the function of town government by "shadowing" an "official" during the course of the work day. The Town Clerk was the coordinator of the Town's participation.

Girl scouts, boy scouts, cub scouts, and webelos who visited Town Hall during the past year were given tours of the facility and an explanation of what makes town government work.

The General Scrvices staff continues to function as a cohesive group consisting of the Town Manager, Town Clerk Cathy Quimby, Administrative Assistant Trudy Wells, Administrative Secretaries Nancy Smethurst and Peg Howe, Principal Clerks Aileen Shaw and Irene Palaima and Clerk/Receptionists Stephanie Rollins and Nicole Waldron. Their combined efforts have enabled the department to function in a business-like and professional manner in spite of the additional workload thcy have been asked to assume.

Respectfully submitted:
Pcter I. Hechenbleikner
Town Manager

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"Bill Simpson and Dick Campbell in Operation Yellow Ribbon"

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The Department of Human Services includes the divisions of Health, Elder Services, Veterans Services, Recreation, Weights and Measures and Fuel Assistance. The Department is directed by Ruth Cogan whose responsibilities also include the operation of the Health Division. This division's programs are quite varied and include a comprehensive inspection schedule (restaurants, markets, pools, housing, health club), a variety of clinics (blood pressure, hearing, rabies, flu), mosquito control, health education and substance abuse programs. This year it also included a great deal of work on solid waste and recycling. A three member Board of Health promulgate regulations, provide policy and have final enforcement authority.

Lois Bond, Director of Elder Services, receives policy direction from the ten member Council on Aging. Three full time and three part time staff facilitate direct services, educational opportunities, recreational events and activities for citizens over age sixty. Direct services include crisis intervention, addressing critical need or concerns, Medicare health insurance information, information and referral for the adult children of elders, coordination of volunteers, home delivery of food and medicines, van transportation for local shopping, appointments and to the mealsite. A contract with Mystic Valley Elder Services, Inc. provides both daily meals at the Senior Center and those delivered to homebound citizens.

Paul Farrell is the Veterans Agent who provides financial assistance to veterans and their dependents. Due to budget constraints, the position was reduced from 20 hours per week to 15.

The Recreation Supervisor receives policy direction from the nine member Recreation Committee, which includes a representative of the School Committee. A new supervisor, Joe Giordano, began in January but resigned in June. A Reading native, Lesley Wexler, was hired in the spring and continues as the Recreation Supervisor. The advent of the new Revolving Fund, approved by Town Meeting in the spring, has allowed for the introduction of a number of new programs this year. For the first time this summer teen golf, street hockey, and t-ball was offered as well as a completely revised summer camp. This fall a new After School Program was introduced and has had a waiting list for each session.

The Weights and Measures Inspector changed July 1 from a police officer to the Health Inspector. She is responsible for the certification of the 80 scales and 175 pumps in the town.

The Town provides the local intake service for fuel assistance. This program is for residents who require assistance in paying fuel and repair bill during the winter months. This year it has been handled by Ginger Butler.

The Human Services Revolving Fund is an account dedicated to providing short term relief to Reading residents with specific needs. In 1990 the monies were used as follows:

Heating fuel	$1145.86
Medicine	73.29
Housing	195.00
School bussing	50.00

Donations received were as follows:

Reading Clergy Assoc.	$725.00
First Baptist Church	2000.00
St. Athanasius Church	250.00
Unitarian Universalist Ch.	67.00
TASC	800.00
Reading Rotary	16.00
Crystal Garden Club	25.00
Anonymous	272.08

DIVISION OF ELDER SERVICES

The Division of Elder Services provides services, activities and educational opportunities for residents of Reading age 60 and over.

Mystic Valley Elder Services, Inc. (MVES) cooperates with the town through the provision of meals at the Senior Center and the delivery of meals to persons unable to prepare their own food. Information and referral services, homemakers, home health aides, case management, legal services, protective services, and respite care are also provided through MVES.

The weekday nutrition program is supervised by a meal site manager and an assistant manager. 8,156 meals were served during the year with approximately 76 participants each month. Socialization is an important component of the nutrition program.

The Meals on Wheels Coordinator arranges the delivery of a hot meal to a client's home. Six routes in the community are staffed by a pool of 49 volunteer drivers who deliver forty to sixty complete meals each week day. Clients are referred by medical personnel, MVES case managers, and/or concerned family members.

The outreach program focuses on crisis situations, critical needs or concerns ranging from housing questions, intergenerational disputes, self

neglect, loneliness, to the inability to pay bills. Assisting with Medicare health insurance information and cooperation with area medical and social service-agencies creates a wide range of available services. Assisting the adult children of elders is an important aspect of the program. The Outreach Worker made 2981 contacts with clients this past year.

The van transportation program is highly successful with new clients added to the roster because of satisfaction with the service. The program provides an important service for senior citizens who no longer drive their own car, never did drive, or can not afford "public" conveyances. Transportation for a minimal fee is offered for local shopping and medical appointments, out-of-town trips to malls, and to activities sponsored by Elder Services. No fee is charged for transportation to the Senior Center for participation in the noontime meal program. The van made 8,659 one way trips this past year, traveling 16,312 miles.

The transportation highlight for 1990 was the purchase of a wheelchair lift equipped van. The new van was purchased by donations from individuals, organizations and businesses. The generosity of our friends saved the Town of Reading $25,985.00.

The Shopping Assistance Coordinator purchases groceries and medicines for homebound people who do not have the ability to do their own shopping. 749 contacts were made this past year while serving 36 clients. Volunteers are being incorporated to handle the increased requests due to the cutback of homemakers who previously did clients' errands.

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"The new Senior Van with Elder Services Director Lois Bond, Van Driver, Florence Farelli and some of its other fans"

Educational classes are held at Tannerville and at the Senior Center. The Spring semester was taught by contractual teachers. The Fall semester was taught by teachers who were paid directly by the students. The schedule runs from September through May. The classes continued from last year includes "Motion to Music" exercise program, contract bridge, ceramics, oil painting, and quilting. The students' work is displayed at the Reading Public Library during the Spring.

The Consumer Assistance program which began this year is facilitated by a trained volunteer and a staff person who are willing to assist people who have consumer complaints. The program is backed by UMass Cooperative Extension and regional consumer assistance offices. The Cracker Barrel discussion group began in the Spring and meets at the Senior Center Thursday mornings, incorporating guest speakers and topics determined by the group.

The Coordinator of Volunteers has expanded volunteer opportunities. A successful group entitled "Office Volunteers" assists in the preparation of bulk mailings from Town Hall. A savings of $3000 was realized because volunteers assembled the tax bills for mailing. "Medical Escorts" began because it became apparent some people could not go unattended to medical appointments. A volunteer accompanies the client, assuring that they safely reach the medical office or

hospital. A "Second Harvest" program began to collect day old bread products for delivery to folks.

Intergenerational projects continue to be an important teaching tool for cooperation among the generations. Barrows' "It's Good To Care" project is being replicated in other schools. A meeting with school representatives outlined the need for volunteers at all grade levels. Coordination of Scouting and Campfire groups yields approximately 60 children each month who make cards, tray favors and baked goods for the enjoyment of many elders. These students also did Fall yard work and Christmas caroling.

Telephone Reassurance links a homebound person with a volunteer who calls each day at a mutually agreed upon time to assure the safety and well being of the homebound person. Volunteers also are matched with a friend whom they visit once a week to bring companionship and caring.

Volunteers are the mainstay of Elder Services' programs. 3,143 volunteers contributed 8,867 hours. Volunteers assist citizens with income tax information, the distribution of government surplus food, delivery of Meals on Wheels, class instructors, office volunteers, gardeners, program leaders, "second harvest" distribution, holiday dinner cooks, daily assistance at the meal site, bimonthly bingo games, monthly dances, and shopping volunteers. The Fix-It program has repaired household items beyond the scope of the owner's ability. The Knitters, meeting twice a month, have created baby garments and children's knitwear which they donated to shelters. A Volunteer Reception in April recognizes the contributions made by citizens of Reading for citizens of

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"Certificate of Appreciation presented to 5th Grade Class at Barrows School for Good-To-Care Program"

Reading. The reception is prepared by a local organization.

In addition to time, many individuals and organizations have generously supported the Elder Services' agenda by providing monies and gifts and underwriting some program expenses. Contributions have helped pay for medicine, clothing, transportation, heating fuel, and utility bills. Service clubs and individuals have given hospital equipment, postal stamps for the "sunshine card" program, flowers, plants, books, clothing, food, dinners, knitting supplies, games, magazines, gift certificates, VCR movies, and the cost of the Thanksgiving dinner.

The Division of Elder Services has a commitment to provide information to citizens enabling them to make decisions regarding their well being and quality of life. Programs have included: MBTA discount pass program, medical alert systems, mammography clinic, wise use of medications, color draping, recycling, VOICE at Killam, safe deposit boxes, gardening, coping with the cold weather, safety in the home, Medicare insurance, Visiting Nurse Association of Middlesex East, how to obtain medical records, appropriate hearing aids and the purpose of an audiologist.

Inter and intra department cooperation, coordination and implementation has enriched the scope of elder citizen programming. The goal is to enrich the lives of the current elder population and prepare for the generation to come.

Eva Hakanson became a member of the Council on Aging Board in 1990. Bette Pack retired as Outreach Worker in July, and we welcomed as her replacement, Tamsen Almeida.

Shopping Assistance Revolving Fund: A total of $5,948.00 was donated to pay for salary and mileage expenses of the Shopping Assistance Coordinator. These donations were crucial because grant monies were not secured for Fiscal Year 1991.

Donations to the Elder Services Revolving Fund:
The 80-10-10 Fund Drive contributed $4,180 to help cover the costs of the substitute van driver, the Shopping Assistance Coordinator's salary, and emergency needs of senior citizens.
An anonymous donor gave $2000.00 to cover the costs of the annual Thanksgiving dinner.
$497 was donated anonymously.
$25,985.00 was donated to purchase a wheelchair lift van.
Expenditures from the Elder Services Revolving Fund:
$282.00 for heating oil
$425.00 for clients' needs

BOARD OF HEALTH

The Board of Health continues to provide direct services in the area of prevention education, public health nursing and inspectional services. In addition, contractual services are provided for mosquito control, mental health, and mental retardation. In July, the pick up of dead animals was discontinued due to budget constraints; it was partially refunded later in the year for those sick animals shot by the police.

The Prevention Education Coordinator has two main focuses: coordinator of a comprehensive, community-based substance abuse program and director of the after school preadolescent seminar program. The seminars are for local youth to learn about and discuss issues concerning puberty and their changing bodies. Due to budget constraints, a fee is being charged for this program beginning with the 90-91 school year. At this time, only the sixth grade girls program has taken place, and 45 girls participated (a 60% increase from the previous high of 28). In the 89-90 school year 13 girls participated in the seventh grade workshop, 84 the fifth grade girls (63% of total fifth grade girls), 101 fourth grade girls (79% of fourth grade girls), and 25 sixth grade boys.

The substance abuse program receives policy guidance from a thirteen member Drug and Alcohol Task Force comprised of parents, school officials and police officers. The fourth year Drug Free School grant was received for $17,739. These monies are used for salaries, curricula, and programs. Programs included the annual Athlete's Night Speaker (an ex-New England Patriot), teacher training for 42 teachers, a televised round table discussion with school and police officials concerning cocaine usage, a parent workshop "It Takes a Village to Raise a Child", a fifth grade puppet program "Turning On, Turning Off" (donated by Junior League of Boston), and a Prevention and Resource Night offering the community information from 20 drug and alcohol agencies.

The Peer Leaders had programs concerning suicide, date rape, child abuse, self esteem and the power of choice, an AIDS Awareness Day as well as a Peer Leadership Recognition Night hosted by Representative Geoff Beckwith.

In addition, this year two special projects were accomplished by the

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Prevention Education Coordinator. In September, a Wellness Fair for 400 School Department personnel was held at the Field House. In January, 1991 ad Wellness and Benefits Fair will be held at Coolidge Middle School for the 750 town employees.

The Prevention Education Revolving Fund receives donations from organizations and individuals for use in substance abuse programs. The monies were used for printing and speakers.

Reading Townwide PTO	$150
Young Woman's League	100
Arnold Berger	275
East Middlesex Board of Realtors	400

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"Accepting donations to the Human Services Revolving Fund"

Our Public Health Nurse has continued to provide excellent service on a variety of issues. The blood pressure clinics, although reduced to every other month, serviced 722 clients. Mantoux (tuberculosis) testing continues primarily for day care personnel and teachers aides - 84 people. Follow up of reportable communicable diseases is an important and state mandated function. This year 28 cases of salmonella, campylobactor, hepatitis, giardia, shigella, pertussis, Lyme Disease, meningitis, and toxic shock syndrome were reported. The annual Hearing Clinic was held in June with 29 participants. The flu and pneumonia clinics were extremely well attended, with 25% more people receiving flu shots and double last year's participation for pneumonia, 912 and 104 respectively. 24 homebound clients received their immunizations in their homes. In addition, a public education display has been established at the library with different information each month concerning a variety of public health issues. A comprehensive Home Safety Check list for the elderly was developed and distributed throughout the town. Hepatitis B shots were given to police officers as First Responders. A Health Clinic was held in May in conjunction with the Lions Club which tested for a glaucoma, visual acuity, blood pressure, and blood sugar.

Despite another reduction in hours, the Environmental Health Inspector continues to carry out a comprehensive program of inspections. All restaurants and retail food stores were inspected three times a year (down from four last year). In addition to food service establishments (540 inspections), the following other inspections were accomplished in 1990: wells 13, pools 54, solid waste 56, housing 60, animals/barns 21, other 12. The office received 134 complaints (up 50% from last year!) with the following breakdown: solid waste 28%, housing 22%, food service establishments 19%, miscellaneous 32%. The miscellaneous complaints range from pesticide misuse to odors to neighborhood disputes.

The largest contractual service is mosquito control. The Town of Reading is part of the nineteen member East Middlesex Mosquito Control Project which provides mosquito and wetland surveillance, larval and adult mosquito control and public education. This year Reading was part of an "area of concern" for eastern equine encephalitis due to the two isolations of highland j virus in our traps (a precursor virus). Because of the con-

cern for the disease, $3436 were received from the Finance Committee to augment the budget as well as $2500 in donations ($1500 Arnold Berger and $1000 Reading Rifle Club). Larval control was accomplished with helicopter application of BTi over 240 wetland acres in April and an additional application in August after a heavy rain. Field personnel sprayed an additional 10 wetland acres during the spring and summer. Adult mosquito control consisted of spraying 5,845 acres at night using truck mounted aerosol sprayers when survey traps indicated high populations of nuisance mosquitoes. Project personnel sprayed 41 acres using portable sprayers to establish barriers to mosquitoes around recreation and wetland areas. Water management was continued due to the additional appropriation, maintaining existing ditches in wetland where blockages have accumulated causing poor drainage.

Two other contractual services are Eastern Middlesex Human Service and East Middlesex Association for Retarded Citizens. Eastern Middlesex Human Services provides counseling services (mental health, mental retardation and substance abuse) for children, adolescents, adults and elder residents who have little or no financial resources. In Fiscal Year 90 this amounted to a total of 2152 visits, an increase of 15 % from the year before. Eastern Middlesex Association for Retarded Citizens served 16 clients attending vocational training programs.

The final contractual service is for dead animal pick up. Due to budget constraints, this service was eliminated July 1. It was partially restored through Finance Committee action later in the year for those sick animals killed by the police.

Revenue collected for the year was approximately $14,500.

The Board of Health has set for itself the demanding goal of identifying and meeting those health needs which can best be addressed by public action and which pertain to the greatest number of citizens in all age groups in the community. This report indicated that the Board has continued to progress toward that goal. Both by itself and in cooperation with other departments, it has touched the lives of every age group and it has concentrated on programs that not only maintain health, but that prevent health problems from arising and thus enhance the health and well-being of the community.

RECREATION DIVISION

The Reading Recreation Division offers a variety of recreational and leisure time activities to all segments of the Town's population. 1990 was an important year for this division, as the acquisition of a Revolving Fund allowed for expansion in all aspects of programming. The Recreation Committee, with its nine members and four associate members, continue to provide policy making decisions and approval of new programs. The Supervisor's position was filled in mid January by Mr. Joseph Giordano, who acted as Supervisor until mid May. Ms. Lesley Wexler replaced Mr. Giordano at that time, and continues to fill the position. The Supervisor's position was reduced from three quarter time to sixty percent in the Spring due to budget restraints.

Fall/Winter offerings for the 1990-1991 season included both traditional and pilot programs. New programs included "Adult Co-Ed Volleyball","Joshua Eaton After School Sports", and "Motion to Music", a Senior Citizen Exercise Program. Reading Youth Basketball and Travel Team had an above average turnout with over 360 participants. Open Recreation at Hawkes Field House is very popular for pick-up basketball fans, attracting over 50 participants per evening. The Reading Recreation Middle School Ski Program, in its second year, filled all slots with a total of 81 children. An indoor tennis clinic will be offered in conjunction with the Woburn Executive and Fitness Center. Offered to all age groups and ability levels, this clinic offers both playing strategy and instruction by certified professionals.

Summer offerings to Reading citizens were expanded in 1990 to provide more programs to the adult and teenage population. Four new programs were implemented with the assistance of the revolving fund. These included a "Teen Instructional Golf League" held at the Colonial Hilton, an "Adult Golf League" for both men and women at Hillview Country Club of North Reading, a "Summer Outdoor Hockey" clinic led by Bob Morroco for children 10 - 14, and an extremely popular "T-Ball" program for 6 and 7 year olds. Traditional summer programs were expanded and improved. The camp was consolidated into one centrally located Day Camp. The Day Camp, situated at the Coolidge Middle School, offered instruction in Arts and Crafts, Science and Nature, and Red Cross Swimming, along with, field trips and special events. The Grant Municipal Pool continued to offer Red Cross Swim

Instruction in the morning and early afternoon, and Open Swim hours for children and families in the afternoon and evening. In addition, baseball, both varsity and junior varsity was again offered. "Theater in the Green" and "A Touch of Class" entertained both adults and children with a variety of musical talents and theatrical performances. Both programs were very popular this season attracting between 200 to 500 people each week. Several clinics were run in conjunction with the Recreation Division and local athletic instructors. The clinics offered were wrestling, karate, girl's and boy's basketball, baseball, soccer, and tennis. 15% of the clinic's gross is returned back to the Recreation Division.

The Recreation Division includes services to the special needs population of Reading . A special needs coordinator was hired for our summer programs to assist children with any level of disability. Sixty one children with varying medical, emotional, and physical dysfunctions were assisted by our coordinator this past year. The Alternative Leisure Company, led by Drew Billiles, is a contractual service providing a variety of activities to Reading's Youth during the fall, winter, and spring. Children involved with the Alternative Leisure Company participate in a variety of activities including swimming, horseback riding, sports, dances, and skiing. Four children from Reading participated in Camp Hope this past year. This camp provides activities services for developmentally disabled children between the ages of five and fourteen, and is supported by the East Middlesex Association for Retarded Citizens,Inc. and also by the five towns of Melrose, Reading, Wakefield, Stoneham, and North Reading.

The fee structure was examined and revised to reflect costs. A new field use fee was instituted for those groups who use the fields for games.

Goals for next year include expanding programming to encompass more senior citizens and middle school children and to upgrade current programs.

SOLID WASTE AD HOC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Solid Waste Ad Hoc Advisory Committee assists management in the development and implementation of waste reduction and recycling programs. The committee is composed of the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, the Health and DPW Directors, and members of the public.

This was the third year of the committee, and one in which one its primary goals was realized: curbside recycling of newspaper, glass, and cans began October 1. In the first two months 327 tons of recyclables were collected, 20% of the municipal waste stream!

A great deal of public education during the summer contributed to its success. Direct mailings, the Block Leader program, newspaper articles, elementary school children education, a number of speaking engagements, a prerecorded hotline, and recycling survey were all accomplished between June and September.

A Recycler of the Month program began in October, sponsored by the Reading Chamber of Commerce. The 1990 recipients were Eleanor Hardin who designed Reading's own recycling logo, Ted Watson and Ed McIntire, two retired businessmen who were super Block Leaders, and Martha Moore from RMHS who helped to establish a number of programs at the high school.

The monthly newspaper drop off collection changed to a monthly plastics collection. Designed and implemented by Eagle Scout Candidate Michael Shannon, the program has collected 2000 pounds of plastic in it first three months. It is staffed by volunteer community groups.

Major changes in the Town's trash rules and regulations also were implemented this year. Appliances are no longer picked up by the Town, bulk waste items require a $10 sticker available at the Town Hall, and residents are encouraged to donate as much of their usable items as possible.

The biggest change for most people was the end of curbside pick up of leaves except for three weeks in the fall. A municipal compost area was opened off on Strout Avenue, and residents made approximately 6000 trips with their leaves. Also for the first time, leaves that were picked up at the curb had to be in compostable paper bags.

Finally, a major celebration of the tenth anniversary of Earth Day was coordinated by this Committee in the form of an Environmental Learning Fair in each of the seven schools. Hailed as a great success by all, these fairs incorporated booths on a host of local issues from Reading's trash to wetlands to water to environmentally conscious shopping. A number of the exhibits were designed and staffed by the students themselves.

In January, it is anticipated that the Committee's status will change to that of a standing Committee with a repre-

sentative from the Health and DPW Departments and seven members of the public appointed by the Board of Selectmen.

VETERANS SERVICES

Paul A. Farrell is the Veterans Agent for the Town. Due to the budget shortfall, his hours were reduced to 15 hours per week.

Veterans Services is governed by Chapter 115 of the General Laws as Amended. With strict compliance to this Chapter, the rules and policies govern the disbursement of aid. Benefits are for the needy Veteran and his immediate family who have unforeseen needs. Final approval of benefits come from the Commissioner of Veterans Services in Boston.

The amount of V.A. expenditures in the Town of Reading for FY1990 for a Veteran population of approximately 2625 was $1,045,819. These benefits were paid directly to recipients and/or their dependents by the V.A. representing the amount of tax dollars not required to be expended for support of those who because of circumstances, find it necessary to apply for aid.

Approximately 75% of monies disbursed from the appropriated budget are returned to the Town by the State. The case load changes and is anticipated to increase due to the worsening economy and Gulf War.

VETERANS BENEFITS

Aid Expenditures (calendar year)	$ 22805.00
Total Active Cases (twelve month period)	358
Current Pending Cases (Services)	96

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"Peter Sheridan, Fred Kirkland and Skip Mansfield raise the Flag"

WEIGHT AND MEASURES

The Sealer of Weights and Measures changed July 1 from Pat Iappica, a police officer, to Diane Kurkjian, the Health Inspector. She is responsible for the certification of 175 gas pumps and 65 scales.

Totals	
Sealed	227
Not sealed	9
Not tested	4
Sealing fees	$2275

THE READING ARTS COUNCIL

The Reading Arts Council continues to promote and encourage the arts in Reading. The Council serves as the local agent for the distribution, receipt and evaluation of applications for funds from the Arts Lottery Program of the Massachusetts Cultural Council.

The Reading Arts Council administers Massachusetts Arts Lottery funds by conducting a granting process twice each year. Priority in approving grants is given to Reading

residents or Reading based groups. We encourage new and untried projects, support individuals and groups which have demonstrated a continuing record of providing arts to the community, and request that grant recipients share their projects with the community. Public school grants are reviewed carefully to insure that they will receive town wide publicity and that they are not projects which should be within the realm of the regular educational budgeting process.

Additionally, the Council administers the Performing Arts Student Series (PASS) which offers school children of Massachusetts the opportunity to attend live performing arts events in a theater as part of the regular theater audience.

ARTS LOTTERY GRANTS AWARDED FOR 1990: $14,925

Recipient	Project
Ballet Theater of Boston	Nutcracker Performance
Colonial Chorus	Portable Sound Equipment
Paul DiCrescenzo	Slide/Music presentation
Reading Elder Services	Silvertones Band
Reading Recreation	Summer Concert Series
Creative Arts	Summer Art Camp support
Creative Arts	Support for Ballet Perf.
Reading Historical Comm.	Conservation project
Eaton School	Marcia Perlmutter Perf.
Downeast Revival	Sound Equipment
Reading Symphony	Soloists' fees
Reading Antiquarian Soc.	Framing Portrait
Friends of the RPL	Concert Series
Reading Schools	Art Scholarship Funds
Reading Schools	Children's Art Exhibit
Colonial Chorus	Production Costs
Treble Chorus of N.E.	Educational Performance
Creative Arts	General Expenses
Reading Public Library	Writing Workshop
Reading Public Library	Photo Conservation
Reading Public Library	Storytelling Festival
Leone Simkins	Dance Company
Reading Public Library	Concert Series
Susan Wheltle	Art lectures/demos.

PASS GRANTS AWARDED FOR 1990: $3,120

Creative Arts	Puppet Showplace Thtre.
Wellington School	Indian Hill Arts, Inc.
Wellington School	Theaterworks USA
Reading Public Library	Wheelock Family Thtr.
Joshua Eaton School	Andover Endowment Arts
Brownie Troop	North Shore Music Thtre.
Barrows School	Theaterworks USA
Reading Elementary Schools	Boston Symphony
Parker Middle School	Forbidden Broadway
Birchmeadow School	North Shore Music Thtre.
Barrows School	North Shore Music Thtre.

Of the regular Arts Lottery Grants awarded in 1990, 4 or 17% were made to the Reading Public Schools. 20 awards or 83% were made to individuals/groups.

As part of its charter to foster and encourage the arts in our town, the Council this year sponsored a meeting of local arts groups. This meeting provided a forum for the open exchange of ideas, concerns and issues; and we hope it developed the groundwork for those organizations to initiate joint projects where appropriate.

Finally, the Council maintains the Arts Bulletin Board located in the foyer of the Library. This bulletin board offers the opportunity for arts programs/ schedules to be posted for the community.

The Council intends to continue to develop its mission. However, its ability to fund many worthwhile projects is inhibited as state funding diminishes.

Respectfully submitted,
The Reading Arts Council
Fran Gallitano Brown, Chairperson
Mary Grosvenor, Secretary
Mary Ellen LaCroix, Treasurer
Erline Robinson, Assistant Treasurer
Alice Collins
Jane MacKenzie
Beverly McAleer
Lorraine McCarthy
Sally McDonald
David Mitchell
Diane Slezak

READING ARTS COUNCIL

Grant History 1988–1991

	JANUARY			JULY		
	$Available	# Apps	$ Requested	$Available	# Apps	$ Requested
1988	$5,823.00	13	$11,900.00	$5,836.00	20	$14,170.00
1989	$5,861.00	16	$10,950.00	$5,776.00	15	$11,393.00
1990	$7,613.00	11	$6,845.00	$7,642.00	20	$120,145.00
1991	$4,003.00	18	$119,363.00			

PASS PROGRAM

1988	$1,438.00	10	$3,457.00	$1,841.00	5	$1,670.00
1989	$1,492.00	8	$1,987.00	$1,337.00	6	$2,780.00
1990	$1,400.00	10	$2,617.00	$1,400.00	4	$1,170.00
1991	$1,389.00	6	$3,230.00			

HOUSING AUTHORITY

The Reading Housing Authority successfully completed two major projects this year: modernization of the elderly development at Frank D. Tanner Drive and acquisition of four (4) family housing units associated with the Townhouse Development (Greenhouse Acres). The Authority is looking forward to future "linkage" family units associated with Greenhouse Acres as well as the elderly units associated with Schoolhouse Properties.

The State's financial crisis has impacted the services that the Reading Housing Authority has been able to provide in the past. The Authority recently had to close the application lists for both its Federal and State rental assistance programs. The elderly housing list for Frank D. Tanner Drive remains open to all qualified applicants. Required budget cuts will also impact the administrative and maintenance hours at the Authority. We are hoping that this will not have adverse and noticeable results to our properties and tenants.

The recreation hall at Frank D. Tanner Drive continues to be utilized for many services to the Town's elderly and includes: Blood Pressure and Flu Clinics by the Board of Health; dance classes, ceramic and art lessons by the Elder Services; Singles' Club monthly dinners and Tannerville Club activities.

The Reading Housing Authority continues to work with the Reading Housing Partnership Committee in formulating guidelines and plans for affordable and varied housing developments within the community. The goal of these developments will be to provide diversified housing types in varying price ranges, which will include rental and homeownership opportunities. By establishing guidelines for the Town's housing needs, developers will be able to work with the Town in a public/private housing partnership which will enhance and maintain the current character of the Town, while still providing diversified housing opportunities.

The Authority continues to work diligently with organizations and townspeople to create affordable housing opportunities for all segments of the population. The hard work and dedication of the Board and staff during difficult economic times is apparent and has helped to maintain a level of quality and commitment unparalleled in the community. We look forward to the challenges the future brings.

Respectfully submitted,
READING HOUSING AUTHORITY
Richard S. Dempster, Chairman
William E. McIsaac
Arthur J. Reynolds, Jr.
Jean H. Galvin
Rev. Robert K. Sweet, Jr.

BYLAW COMMITTEE

This year the Town Meeting voted for five amendments to the General Bylaws, two amendments to the Zoning Bylaws, five acceptances of Massachusetts General Laws and two petitions to the General Court for special acts.

The amendments to the General Bylaws were as follows:

- Section 3.5.3 Bylaw Committee - amended to define the term of Bylaw Committee members.
- Section 4.4.1 through 4.4.9 Conflict of Interest - amended to bring in conformity with Chapter 30B of the General Laws, the Uniform Procurement Act.
- Section 4.9.3 - amended to allow a 10% administrative fee to be added to fees for private police details.
- Section 5.7 Wetland Protection - amended Wetland Protection Act to make the act clearer to understand and update the terms and definitions contained therein.
- Section 5.4 Wells - amended to bring in line with Board of Health regulations.

The amendments to the Zoning Bylaws were as follows:

- Section 2.2.13 - amended to change the definition of frontage.
- Section 4.3.3.1 - amended to redefine when the Site Plan Review process applies.

The following Massachusetts General Laws were accepted:

- Chapter 44, Section 53D which authorizes the Town to establish a recreation and park self-supporting service revolving fund.
- Chapter 653, Section 41 to allow the issuance of quarterly tax bills.
- Chapter 653, Section 40 to allow the assessment date for new construction to be June 30 instead of January 1.
- Chapter 32B, Section 7A relating to subsidiary or additional rates for certain insurance payments.
- Chapter 32B, Section 9E relating to subsidiary or additional rates for certain insurance payments for retired employees.

The following special acts were petitioned to the General Court:

- An act to establish a special sale of real fund pursuant to Section 1 of Chapter 523 of the Acts of 1989.
- An act to redefine the license period relating to the licensing of dogs to February 1 through January 31 of the following year.

The Bylaw Committee in the past year spent considerable time working on setting up an adhoc committee to Town Meeting, the Land Advisory Committee. The purpose of this committee would be to report to Town Meeting with recommendations on issues dealing with town owned land. The Bylaw Committee held multiple hearings on this matter and placed an article to create the committee on the November 1990 Town Meeting warrant. Town Meeting did not approve the article.

Respectfully submitted.
THE BYLAW COMMITTEE
Philip B. Pacino, Chairman
Dolores S. Carroll, Clerk
Edward F. Murphy
John B. Russell
George A. Theophanis

TOWN MEETING REPORTS

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
April 9 - May 24, 1990

Note: The following reports of actions taken on Articles contained in the Warrants for the Town Meetings are from the official records and indicate actions which bind the Town. The reader is referred to the official reports in the Office of the Town Clerk.

Article 1. Annual Town Election - March 19, 1990 (Reported elsewhere in Town Report under "Voting Results")

Article 2. Reports

To hear and act on the reports of the Board of Selectmen, Town Accountant, Treasurer-Collector, Board of Assessors, Director of Public Works, Town Clerk, Tree Warden, Board of Health, School Committee, Contributory Retirement Board, Library Trustees, Municipal Light Board, Finance Committee, Cemetery Trustees, Community Planning & Development Commission, Town Manager and any other Boards or Special Committees. (See Reports on file in the Town Clerk's Office.)

Article 2. On motion of Russell T. Graham, it was voted to accept the report presented by Glen M. Hartzler as the Final Report of the Advisory Committee to Oversee Plans/Construction of Town Hall and thus discharge the Committee from any further responsibility. Voted: May 24, 1990

Article 3. Instructional Motions

Dates of Town Meeting

On motion of Russell T. Graham, it was voted that the Bylaw Committee look into and report back to Town Meeting the feasibility of revising Article 2.1.1 and 2.1.3 of the General Bylaws of the Town of Reading relative to the dates when Town Meeting shall be held so that such dates would, as far as possible, avoid a conflict with significant religious holidays and with the presently approved annual Reading spring school recess.

Mr. William Brown, Precinct 8, further requested that the Bylaw Committee consider changes that would allow the local election to be held after Town Meeting. Voted: April 9, 1990

Reading Light

William C. Brown, Precinct 8, moved that the Finance Committee and/or the Board of Selectmen inquire of New England Power Company of Westborough, Massachusetts if said company would be interested in the purchase in whole or in part of Reading Municipal Light Department and to report findings at the Subsequent Town Meeting of November, 1990. This motion was voted in the negative. Voted: May 24, 1990

Trash Costs as Separate Budget Line Item

On motion of Glen M. Hartzler, Precinct 4, it was voted that the Town Manager be instructed, when preparing the budgets for Fiscal Years 1992 and onward, to separate the line item or items related to trash removal and disposal from the totals of the Public Works Department and to state them as separate items for independent consideration by Town Meeting. Voted: May 24, 1990

Revolving Funds

On motion of Robert A. Brown, Precinct 8, it was voted that the Selectmen determine and report to the Fall Town Meeting:

Sections of General Laws Chap. 4 which allow revolving funds (similar to that of Article 4 of the Special Town Meeting); and which of these funds could be established in Reading to alleviate financial crises; and any areas which are not now covered by the General Laws but which would be of value to Reading. Voted: May 24, 1990

Review Bylaw on Finance Committee

Richard H. Coco, Precinct 6, moved that Town Meeting instruct the Bylaw Committee to review Section 3.4 of the Reading Bylaws pertaining to the actions of the Finance Committee and specifically Section 3.4.2 of said Bylaws relating to the votes of the Finance Committee and the requirement that all votes be "a majority of said committee," and report back to the Fall Town Meeting in November, 1990 with recommended actions for revision to that Section. This motion was voted in the negative. Voted: May 24, 1990

Medical Insurance Costs

Victor R. Carlson, Precinct 3, moved that the Finance Committee and the Board of Selectmen look into the escalating Medical Health Coverage costs to the Town of Reading.

1989 = 1,436,000; 1990 = 1,901,181; Proposed 1991 = 2,055,000, 2,068,638 (743,00 free cash included)

This motion was voted in the negative. Voted: May 24, 1990

Article 4 Authorization to Borrow

On motion of Elizabeth W. Klepeis it was voted to authorize the Town Treasurer-Collector, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the

financial year beginning July 1, 1990, in accordance with the provision of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17. Voted: April 9, 1990

Article 5 To Pay Unpaid Bills

On motion of Russell T. Graham it was voted that the subject matter of Article 5 be indefinitely postponed. Voted: April 9, 1990

Article 6 Adopt Capital Improvement Program

On motion of Daniel A. Ensminger, it was voted to adopt the Capital Improvement Program, dated, Revised April 11, 1990 and set forth in the April 11, 1990 Supplemental Budget Information Memorandum from Peter I. Hechenbleikner, as provided for in Section 7-7 of the Reading Home Rule Charter.

(See Article 7)
Voted: April 19, 1990

Article 7 Amend Capital Improvement Program

On motion of Daniel A. Ensminger, it was voted to amend the Capital Improvement Program by the addition of $16,000 to PW-B-7, Library Improvements; $62,000 to SD-21, Portable Building - Eaton; and $5,000 to FIN-3, Data Processing Equipment - Assessors; with the source of funding for all projects to be annual appropriation (A).

(See Appendix)
Voted: May 14, 1990

Article 8 Accept Sect. 41, Ch. 653

On motion of Robert I. Nordstrand it was voted to accept the provisions of Section 41 of Chapter 653 of the Acts of 1989 regarding quarterly tax bills. Voted: April 9, 1990

Article 9 Accept Sect. 40, Ch. 653

On motion of Robert I. Nordstrand it was voted to accept the provisions of Section 40 of Chapter 653 of the Acts of 1989 regarding assessment date changes for new growth. Voted: April 9, 1990

Article 10 Budget for FY91

On motion of Willard J. Burditt, it was voted that the Town appropriate for the Proposed FY 1991 Budget, exclusive of Line 115, which requires a 2/3 vote and will be voted separately, the sum of $32,678,248, representing the total of all previously made motions under Article 10 of the 1990 Annual Town Meeting Warrant, as amended; funds are to be provided as set forth in said previously made motions. Voted: May 24, 1990

(See appendix for budget and roll call vote of May 10, 1990 on the presentation of Public Works Budget)

Article 10 Budget for FY91

On motion of Willard J. Burditt, it was voted <u>unanimously</u> that the Town appropriate the sum of $1,702,217 for the Proposed FY 1991 Budget as presented for line item 115. Funds are to be provided as follows:

Line 115 - Contributory Retirement
New Sale of Real Estate Funds in the amount of $100,000 with the remainder from property taxes, State aid, and non-property tax local receipts.

99 voted in the affirmative
0 voted in the negative
2/3 vote required

Voted: May 24, 1990

Article 10 Budget for FY91

On motion of Willard J. Burditt, it was voted that the Town approve and appropriate the Proposed FY 1991 Budget as presented for line item 110 (Northeast Regional Vocational School). Funds are to be provided as follows:

Line 110$149,999.00
Property taxes, State aid, and non-property tax local receipts.

Voted: May 24, 1990

Article 11 Amend Administrative Code

On motion of Daniel A. Ensminger it was voted that the subject matter of Article 11 be indefinitely postponed. Voted: April 9, 1990

Article 12 Street Lighting

On motion of James L. O'Leary, it was voted that the subject matter of Article 12 be referred to the Municipal Light Board, and the said Board be, and hereby is, authorized to install such additional street lights as in its judgment are required, and to make such changes in the size, type, and location of existing street lights as it may deem advisable, the expense of the same to be paid from the income of the plant. Voted: April 9, 1990

Article 13 Bond Rescission

On motion of Sally M. Hoyt, it was voted that the Town vote to rescind the remaining bond authorization in the amount of Two Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars ($2,800.00) for the purpose of replacing High School

transformers, as authorized by the vote taken April 21, 1988 under Article 10 of the 1988 Annual Town Meeting. Voted: April 9, 1990

Article 14 Disposal of Property

On motion of Eugene R. Nigro, it was voted that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell, or exchange, or dispose of, upon such terms and conditions as they may determine:

1. A 1974 Elgin Pelican Street Sweeper; and
2. Various guns of the Reading Police Department,

each with an expected value of Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000.00) or more in accordance with Section 4.6 of the Bylaws. Voted: May 24, 1990

Article 15 Replace RMHS Boiler

George J. Shannon moved that the Town raise by borrowing and appropriate for the purpose of replacing the #2 boiler in the old boiler room at Reading Memorial High School, 62 Oakland Road, Reading, Massachusetts, the sum of Sixty-Five Thousand ($65,000.00) Dollars; such appropriation to include all engineering and preparation costs and all costs for making extraordinary repairs relating to the replacement of the boiler as required to complete the purpose of this Article, all monies to be expended under the direction of the Reading School Committee. This motion was voted in the negative.

68 voted in the affirmative
38 voted in the negative
2/3 vote required

Voted: May 24, 1990

Article 16 Replace Killam Roof

On motion of George J. Shannon, it was voted that the Town raise by borrowing and appropriate for the purpose of replacing the roof at the J. Warren Killam Elementary School, Reading, Massachusetts, the sum of Two Hundred Sixty-Two Thousand ($262,000.00) Dollars; such appropriation to include all engineering fees, and preparation costs required to complete the purpose of this Article, all monies to be expended under the direction of the Reading School Committee.

120 voted in the affirmative
4 voted in the negative
2/3 vote required

Voted: May 10, 1990

Article 17 Refurbish Outdoor Track

George J. Shannon moved that the Town raise by borrowing and appropriate for the purpose of refurbishing the outdoor running track at Reading Memorial High School, 62 Oakland Road, Reading, Massachusetts, the sum of Thirty Thousand ($30,000.00); such appropriation to include all engineering fees and preparation costs required to complete the purpose of this Article, all monies to be expended under the direction of the Reading School Committee. This motion was voted in the negative.

33 voted in the affirmative
91 voted in the negative
2/3 vote required

Voted: May 10, 1990

Article 18 Asbestos Priority II Funding

George J. Shannon moved that the Town transfer the remaining balance from the Transformer Replacement - Reading Memorial High School Project, approved on April 21, 1988, under Article 10, the amount of Forty-Eight Thousand ($48,000.00) Dollars; and transfer the remaining balance from the Field House Roof Project, approved April 11, 1988 under Article 12, the amount of Nine Thousand ($9,000.00) Dollars; and raise by borrowing the amount of Thirty-Eight Thousand ($38,000.00) Dollars; and appropriate the total of Ninety-Five Thousand ($95,000.00) Dollars for the purpose of continuing the compliance with the requirements of the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act; such appropriation to include all engineering and industrial hygiene fees and all costs for making extraordinary repairs to remove asbestos from the Reading Public Schools described as Priority II in the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act Management Plan for the Reading Public Schools, all monies to be expended under the direction of the Reading School Committee.

On amendment by Willard J. Burditt, the amount of Thirty-Eight Thousand ($38,000.00) Dollars to be raised by borrowing was deleted, making the new total to be appropriated Fifty-Seven Thousand ($57,000.00) Dollars.

Following further discussion, on motion of John E. Carpenter, it was voted to table the subject matter of Article 18 to allow Health Director Ruth Cogan time to prepare a report and recommendations on the subject.

Voted: May 10, 1990

Article 19 Resurface Grant Memorial Pool

On motion of Daniel A. Ensminger, it was voted that the subject matter of Article 19 be indefinitely postponed. Voted May 10, 1990

Article 20 Accept Chapter 494

Robert I. Nordstrand moved that the Town vote to accept the provisions of

Chapter 494 of the Acts of 1989 regarding property tax exemption for residential improvements to provide elderly housing. This motion was voted in the negative. Voted: May 10, 1990

Article 21 Amend Bylaws, Sec. 5.2

On motion of Eugene R. Nigro, it was voted that the subject matter of Article 21 be indefinitely postponed. Voted: May 10, 1990

Article 22 Amend Bylaws, Sec. 4.4.1 - 8

On motion of George V. Hines, as amended by Dolores S. Carroll, Bylaw Committee, it was voted that the General Bylaws of the Town of Reading be amended by deleting Sections 4.4.5, 4.4.6, and 4.4.7 of Section 4.4; Subsection 4.4.8 to be renumbered 4.4.5; and the heading "4.4 Contracts" to be retitled "4.4 Conflict of Interest." Voted: May 10, 1990

Article 23 Amend Bylaws, Sec. 4.9

Robert R. Lynch moved that the Town vote to amend the recodified Bylaws of the Town (or the corresponding provisions of the earlier By-Laws) by adding the following to Section 4.9 "User Fees":

Section 4.9 "User Fees":

"4.9.1.1 Except to the extent authorized by Federal or State law, any other provision of these Bylaws or the Reading Home Rule Charter, no user fee newly adopted or amended pursuant to Section 4.9.1 of these Bylaws, or any fine newly adopted or amended by any official body shall become effective until after the same has been approved by a majority vote at a Town Meeting." This motion was voted in the negative. Voted: May 24, 1990

Article 24 Home Rule Petition - Sale of R.E.

On motion of John W. Price, it was voted that the Town file a petition and/or approve the filing of a petition to the General Court for a special act providing essentially as follows:

"Section 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 63 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws or any other General or Special law to the contrary, the Town of Reading is authorized by a majority vote at a Town Meeting to transfer the then existing balance in the sale of real estate account established pursuant to Section 63 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws into the special fund established pursuant to Section 1 of Chapter 523 of the Acts of 1989."

93 voted in the affirmative
23 voted in the negative
4 abstained

Voted: May 10, 1990

Article 25 Amend Zoning Map

On motion of Russell T. Graham, it was voted to table the subject matter of Article 25 because the applicant had requested his application be withdrawn. Voted: May 14, 1990

Article 26 Acquire Easement - 908 Main

On motion by Sally M. Hoyt, it was voted that the subject matter of Article 26 be indefinitely postponed. Voted: May 14, 1990

Article 27 Amend Bylaws - add 4.9.2

On motion by Eugene R. Nigro, as amended by Frederick VanMagness, Precinct 8, it was voted that the Town amend the recodified Bylaws of the Town (or corresponding provisions of the earlier By-Laws) by adding the following to Section 4.9 "User Fees":

"4.9.3. Pursuant to Section 53C of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, a fee of ten percent (10%) of the cost of the services authorized by said section for work performed by one of the Town's employees on an off-duty work detail or for special detail work shall, except in the case of a city, Town, district or the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, be added to the cost of said services and paid by the persons requesting such private detail." Voted: May 14, 1990

Article 28 Home Rule Petition - Dog Licenses

On motion by Daniel A. Ensminger, it was unanimously voted that the Town file a petition and/or approve the filing of a petition to the General Court for a special act providing essentially as follows:

"Section 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 136A of Chapter 140 of the General Laws, or any other General or Special law to the contrary, the phrase "License period" as used in Sections 137 to 175, inclusive, of Chapter 140 of the General Laws or in Chapter 57 of the Acts of 1985 or in any bylaw of the Town of Reading relating to the licensing of dogs in the Town of Reading shall be defined as "the time between February first and the following January thirty-first, both dates inclusive."

98 voted in the affirmative
0 voted in the negative

Voted: May 14, 1990

Article 29 Removal of Town Mtg. Members

On motion of Russell T. Graham, it was voted that the Town, pursuant to Section 2-6 of the Reading Home Rule Charter, declare the seats of the following Town Meeting Members to be

vacant and remove the following persons from their position as Town Meeting Member for failure to attend one-half or more of Town Meeting sessions, during the previous year.
Precinct 2 - Leonard J. Ebert
Precinct 3 - Roberta P. Maillet
Precinct 5 - Wayne A. MacLeod

Voted: May 14, 1990

Article 30 Acceptance of Gift

On motion of Sally M. Hoyt, it was voted that the Town accept a gift of Ten Thousand Dollars ($10,000.00) to be used for establishing a trust fund to be administered by the Commissioners of Trust Funds, the interest from such trust fund to be used pursuant to guidelines established by the Director of Elder Services, as approved by the Commissioners of Trust Funds, for outreach work with senior citizens of the Town of Reading. Voted: May 14, 1990

Article 31 Accounting Policy for Fees

On motion of Thomas J. Stohlman, it was voted that the subject matter of Article 31 be indefinitely postponed. Voted: May 14, 1990

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
April 26, 1990

Article 4 Establish Recreation Revolving Fund

On motion of John L. Fallon, Jr. it was voted that the Town accept the provisions of Section 53D of Chapter 44 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, which authorizes the Town to establish a recreation and park self-supporting service revolving fund(s). Voted: April 26, 1990

Article 5 Transfers and Appropriations

On motion of Russell T. Graham, it was voted that the Town amend the following votes taken under Article 26 of the Warrant of the Annual Town Meeting of April 10, 1989, as amended by the votes taken under Article 12 of the Special Town Meeting of September 14, 1989, relating to the Fiscal Year 1990 Municipal Budget; and that the Town transfer and appropriate the following sums of money from the following sources for the operation of the Town and its government:

To Line:

37	Town Clerk Pers. Services	$4,500
46	General Services Non-Pers. Exp.	2,400
117	Group Health/Life Insurance	120,000
113	Debt Service Short Term Int. Exp.	13,000
28	Finance Gen. Dept. Non. Pers. Exp.	2,600
118	Medicare	10,000
60	Police Pers. Services	65,000
116	Unemployment Benefits	3,000
70	General Public Safety Pers. Serv.	8,750
		$229,250

From Line:

45	General Services Pers. Services	$4,500
35	Personnel Pers. Services	8,000
36	Personnel Non Pers. Exp	5,000
43	Casualty Insurance	30,000
13	Community Development Non Pers Exp.	5,000
56	Human Services Pers. Services	5,000
	Free Cash	171,750
		$229,250

Voted: April 26, 1990

Article 6 Request Funding - Parking Enforcement Officer

On motion of Thomas J. Stohlman, it was voted that the Town appropriate from Certified Free Cash the sum of One Thousand Six Hundred Ten ($1,610.00) Dollars to Line 60 of the Fiscal Year 1990 Municipal Budget (Police Personal Services), for the purpose of funding a Parking Enforcement Officer for the Depot area of Reading. Voted: May 3, 1990

Article 7 Repurchase of Cemetery Lots

On motion of Russell T. Graham, it was voted that the Town appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Five Hundred ($3,500.00) Dollars from the Cemetery Sale of Lots Fund for the purpose of purchasing unwanted grave spaces. Voted: April 26, 1990

Article 8 Reading Municipal Light-Authorization to Borrow

On motion of Philip B. Pacino, it was voted that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen and/or the Municipal Light Board to acquire all or any part of the land with the buildings thereon currently believed to be owned by Gerald F. Lux and Roger M. Ormes, Jr. as Trustees of the Ash Street Realty Trust or as co-partners doing business as G & R Associates, located at 236-242 Ash Street and

shown on Town of Reading Board of Assessors' Rev. Jan. 1, 1987, Plat 44 as Lot 18 in fee or rights of easement therein by eminent domain under the provisions of Chapter 79 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, or to acquire said land or any part thereof in fee or rights of easement therein by gift, purchase, or otherwise, for the purpose of extending or enlarging the Municipal Light Plant and related facilities, and to raise by borrowing, as provided for under Chapter 44, Section 8 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, or any other enabling authority, the sum of Three Million Four Hundred Sixty-Five Thousand Dollars ($3,465,000.00) and appropriate the same to the Board of Selectmen and/or the Municipal Light Board to pay for appraisals of said property and to pay for the acquisition of said land or rights of easement therein, or to be used for payment of land damages or other costs and expenses of such acquisition and/or for the purposes of remodeling, reconstructing or making extraordinary repairs to the existing and/or expanded Municipal Light Plant and related facilities, including the cost of any additions thereto and of originally equipping and furnishing said existing and/or expanded Municipal Light Plant and related facilities, and that the Board of Selectmen and/or the Municipal Light Board be authorized to enter into agreements with private parties or state and federal agencies for financial and other assistance in connection with such acquisition, and to determine that all such actions shall be taken in accordance with the provisions of Section 41 of Chapter 164 and Section 8 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, or any other enabling authority, and to do all other acts and things necessary and proper for carrying out the purposes of this vote.

110 voted in the affirmative
11 voted in the negative
2/3 vote required

Voted: April 26, 1990

Article 9 Amend Sec. 3.5 - Bylaw Comm. Terms

On motion of Edward F. Murphy, Jr., it was voted that the Town amend Section 3.5 "Bylaw Committee" of the Bylaws of the Town by adding the following thereto as Section 3.5.3:

"3.5.3 The term of office of each member of the Bylaw Committee shall commence on the first day of July in the year of appointment and shall expire on the thirtieth day of June in the third following calendar year." Voted: April 26, 1990

Article 10 Conserva Eminent Domain

On motion of Daniel A. Ensminger, it was unanimously voted that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire all or any part of the following described land with the buildings thereon now or formerly owned by Mark C. Conserva, in fee or rights of easement therein by eminent domain under the provisions of Chapter 79 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in order to resolve any title problems which may exist arising out of the gift of said land from Mark C. Conserva to the Town as authorized by vote under Article 15 of the Warrant for the Subsequent Town Meeting of November 30, 1989, said land to be placed under the care, custody and control of the Conservation Commission of the Town of Reading, Massachusetts, and held for general municipal purposes, including: open space, conservation and water control purposes and including the right to use said land for protecting and increasing the Town's water supply and water resources; and that the Board of Selectmen be authorized to do all other acts and things necessary and proper for carrying out the provisions of this vote:

The land situated Northerly of Jefferson Circle and Colonial Drive, Easterly of Latham Lane, Southerly of Rustic Lane and Southwesterly of Grey Coach Road, being shown on Reading Board of Assessors' Revised January 1, 1986 Plat 164 as Lots 2 and 3, and Reading Board of Assessors' revised January 1, 1987 Plat 166 as Lot 4. Containing approximately 9.5 acres, more or less.

121 voted in the affirmative
0 voted in the negative
2/3 vote required

Voted: April 26, 1990

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
September 13, 1990

Article 2 Instructional Motions

Eastern Equine Encephalitis

On motion of Curt E. Nitzsche, it was voted that Town Meeting instruct the Board of Health to report back at the next Town Meeting on the recent mosquito Eastern Equine Encephalitis health concern and what recommendations they feel would be a viable long-term solution as opposed to spraying after the fact. Voted: September 13, 1990

Gunshot Noise

On motion of Curt E. Nitzsche, as amended by William J. Hughes, Jr., it was voted that Town Meeting instruct the Board of Selectmen to investigate

the activities at the Reading Police Shooting Range and the Reading Rifle Club and Camp Curtis Guild. We would appreciate knowing what consideration these two organizations have given to the concerns of their neighbors regarding gunshot noise. The Selectmen will report their findings to the next Town Meeting. Voted: September 13, 1990

Landfill Development

On motion of William C. Brown, it was moved that the Board of Selectmen be instructed to cease negotiations with Homart Development and seek a new developer for the landfill site, with priority being given to a recycling developer. This motion was voted in the negative. Voted: September 13, 1990

Minimum Manning Requirements

On motion of William C. Brown, as amended by Gail F. Wood, it was voted that the Board of Selectmen be instructed on or before the November Town Meeting to provide Town Meeting with the minimum manning requirements of the Fire Department and Police Department, to include the total number of personnel on the force, the number of personnel per shift, the total number of weeks of vacations due them, and contractual agreements if any as to the number of personnel that may be off on each shift. Voted: September 13, 1990

Article 4 Acceptance of Ch. 32B, Sec. 7A

On motion of Daniel A. Ensminger, it was voted that the Town accept the provisions of General Laws Chapter 32B, Section 7A.

67 Voted in the Affirmative
54 Voted in the Negative

Voted: September 13, 1990

Article 5 Funding of Health Insurance Trust Fund

On motion of Daniel A. Ensminger, it was voted that the Town authorize the Treasurer of the Town to transfer from time to time from the appropriation for Group Health Insurance to the Claims Trust Fund to be established pursuant to General Laws Chapter 32B, Section 3A such sums as may be necessary to assure a sufficient balance at all times in said Claims Trust Fund for use in accordance with said Chapter 32B, Section 3A.

Voted: September 13, 1990

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Article 3 Amend Capital Improvement Program

On motion by George V. Hines, it was voted to amend the Capital Improvement Program for FY1991 through FY95 as represented in the Town Manager's "Revised Capital Improvement Program dated 10-19-90," consisting of three (3) pages.

(See Appendix)

Voted: November 13, 1990

Article 4 Easement - Summer Ave.

On motion of Daniel A. Ensminger, it was voted that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire a temporary construction and permanent drainage easement on, over and/or under all or any part of the land currently believed to be owned by Jane Newton Woodman and Louis A. Adreani located at 518 Summer Avenue and shown on the Town of Reading Board of Assessors' Rev. January 1, 1989, Plat 20 Lot 21 in fee or rights of easement therein by eminent domain under the provisions of Chapter 79 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, or by gift, purchase, or otherwise, and that the Town transfer from available funds, and appropriate to the Board of Selectmen the sum of One Dollar ($1.00) to pay for the acquisition of said land or rights of easement therein, or to be used for payment of land damages or other costs and expenses of such acquisitions, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into agreements with private parties or state and federal agencies for financial and other assistance in connection with such acquisition, and to do all other acts and things necessary and proper for carrying out the provisions of this vote.

118 voted in the affirmative
7 voted in the negative
2/3 vote required

Voted: November 13, 1990

Article 5 Amend FY91 Budget

On motion of Russell T. Graham, it was voted that the Town amend the appropriations made for the following line items of the Fiscal Year 1991 Municipal Budget by amending votes taken under Article 10 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting of April 9, 1990 as follows, unless otherwise indicated the source of the appropriation remains the same:

(See Following Chart)

To:

Line	Item	Prev. Amt.	+	New Amt.	FinCom Vote
12	C. Devl. Pers Serv	9,220	11,524	20,744	7-0-0
19	Assessment Pers Serv	63,315	1,844	65,159	4-2-0
39	Elect/Reg - Pers Serv	19,090	1,250	20,340	7-0-0
56	Human Serv. Pers Serv	84,804	902	85,706	7-0-0
58	Library Pers Serv	360,658	26,600	387,258	5-1-0
60	Police Pers Serv	1,788,808	32,000	1,820,808	7-0-0
61	Police Non-Pers Serv	143,800	2,600	146,400	6-0-1
70	Pub. Safety Pers Serv	129,550	6,000	135,550	7-0-0
77	Pub Wks Adm Pers Serv	135,395	10,083	145,478	7-0-0
80	Hwy Mnt Non-Pers Exp	122,195	3,500	125,695	7-0-0
102	Cemetery Pers Serv	166,522	6,500	173,022	6-0-0
			from Sale of Cem. Lots		
103	Cem. Non-Pers Exp	30,575	1,000	31,575	6-0-0
			from Sale of Cem. Lots		
109	Schools	14,665,000	40,320	14,705,320	7-0-0
113	Short Term Debt	251,272	131,228	382,500	7-0-0
116	Non-Contrib Retire.	64,156	18,700	82,856	7-0-0
	TOTAL		294,051		

From:

Line	Item	Prev. Amt.	(-)	New Amt.	FinCom Vote
35	Personnel Pers Serv	7,250	7,250	0	7-0-0
43	Gen. Serv. Pers Serv	117,491	10,000	107,491	7-0-0
52	Rec. Pers Serv	53,233	10,250	42,983	7-0-0
53	Rec. Non-Pers Serv	36,740	1,000	35,740	7-0-0
79	Hwy. Maint. Pers Serv	419,258	21,606	397,652	7-0-0
95	Equip. Mnt. Pers Serv	111,352	22,271	89,081	7-0-0
102	Cem. Pers Serv	173,022	1,800	171,222	7-0-0
110	Voc. School Assess.	149,999	4,000	145,999	7-0-0
112	Interest Lng Trm Debt	432,542	152,625	279,917	7-0-0
117	Unemp. Ben.	277,252	72,000	205,252	7-0-0
TOTAL			302,802		

Increase in Use of Certified Free Cash:
(Does Not Change Appropriation)

Line Item 118 - change the source of the $2,110,638 appropriation to Certified Free Cash in the amount of $836,000, with the remainder from Property Taxes, State Aid, and Non-Property Tax Local Receipts.

Voted: November 13, 1990

Article 6 Small Lane Sewer Betterment

On motion of Daniel A. Ensminger, it was voted that the Town appropriate from Sewer Surplus the sum of Thirty-Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars ($38,800.00) for the purpose of constructing a sanitary sewer system and sewer facilities in Small Lane; said sum to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen; and that the Board of Selectmen take all actions necessary pursuant to General Laws Chapter 83, General Laws Chapter 80 or any other enabling statute or authority to assess the cost of constructing said sanitary sewer system and sewer facilities and establish betterments therefor upon the property owners of the land abutting Small Lane to be serviced by said sewer system and sewer facilities. Voted: November 13, 1990

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Article 2 Four-Way Stop Signs

William C. Brown moved that the Board of Selectmen petition the Great and General Court of the Commonwealth to allow cities and towns after public hearings and a majority vote of the governing body of the cities or towns to install four-way or more stop signs. This motion was voted in the negative. Voted: November 26, 1990

Article 2 Executive Sessions

William C. Brown moved that Town Counsel seek an interpretation of Section 11B paragraph (6) of Chapter 30A as written with regards to executive sessions held by the Board of Selectmen for the sale of real estate, and report said interpretation to Town Meeting as soon as possible. This motion was voted in the negative. Voted: November 26, 1990

Article 2 Twenty-Year Bonding

Roberta C. D'Antona moved that the Selectmen be instructed to consider a twenty year bond for the school building project.

This motion was voted in the negative. Voted: November 26, 1990

Article 4 Amend Art. 5.7, Sec. 5.7.1 Bylaws - Wetlands

On motion of Edwin J. Loschi, Jr., it was voted that the Town amend Section 5.7.1 of the General Bylaws of the Town by adding after the words "water pollution" the words "prevention, fisheries", so that said Section 5.7.1. shall read as follows:

"The purpose of this bylaw is to protect the floodplains and wetlands of the Town by controlling activities deemed to have a significant effect upon wetland values, including but not limited to the following: public or private water supply, groundwater, flood control, erosion control, storm damage prevention, water pollution prevention, fisheries and wildlife." Voted: November 13, 1990

Article 5 Amend Art. 5.7, Sec. 5.7.2 Bylaws - Wetlands

On motion of Edwin J. Loschi, Jr., it was voted that the Town amend Section 5.7.2 of the General Bylaws of the Town by adding after the first sentence thereof the sentence "There shall be no charge imposed for such a request." Voted: November 13, 1990

Article 6 Amend Art. 5.7, Sec. 5.7.3 Bylaws - Wetlands

On motion of Edwin J. Loschi, Jr, it was voted that the Town amend Section 5.7.3 of the General Bylaws of the Town by adding a comma after the word "swamp" and by deleting the words "or lands bordering any" in the first sentence thereof, and by adding the words "or hand delivered" after the words "certified mail" in the second sentence thereof, so that said Section 5.7.3 shall read as follows:

"No person shall remove, fill, dredge or alter any bank, fresh water wetland, flat, marsh, meadow, bog, swamp, creek, river, stream, pond or lake or any land under said waters or any land subject to flooding, other than in the course of maintaining, repairing or replacing, but not substantially changing or enlarging an existing and lawfully located structure or facility used in the service of the public and used to provide electric, gas, water, sanitary sewer, storm drainage, public roadway, telephone, telegraph and other telecommunication services, without filing written notice of his intention to so remove, fill, dredge or alter and without receiving and complying with an Order of Conditions and providing all appeal periods have elapsed. Such notice shall be sent by certified mail or hand delivered to the Reading Conservation Commission, including such plans as may be necessary to describe such proposed activity and its effect on the environment." Voted: November 13, 1990

Article 7 Amend Art. 5.7, Sec. 5.7.4 Bylaws - Wetlands

On motion by Edwin J. Loschi, Jr., it was voted that the Town amend Section 5.7.4 of the General Bylaws of the Town by inserting after the words "as fulfilling the" the word "applicable", by

changing the comma to a period after the words "this bylaw", by deleting the balance of that former sentence, by inserting after the words "this bylaw." the sentence "The Conservation Commission may adopt and impose project review charges in accordance with regulations adopted pursuant hereto.", by deleting subsections 5.7.4.1 through subsection 5.7.4.8 and by renumbering existing subsection 5.7.4.9 as subsection 5.7.4.1, by renumbering subsection 5.7.4.10 as subsection 5.7.4.2 and by adding at the end of said new subsection 5.7.4.2 the words "under Section 5.7.4.", so that Section 5.7.4 shall read as follows:

"5.7.4 The same Notice of Intent, plans and specifications required to be filed by an applicant under Section 40 of Chapter 131 of the General Laws will be accepted as fulfilling the applicable requirements of this bylaw. The Conservation Commission may adopt and impose project review charges in accordance with regulations adopted pursuant hereto.

5.7.4.1 The maximum fee on any one filing will be $3,000.00.

5.7.4.2 Town Projects are exempt from review fees under Section 5.7.4." Voted: November 13, 1990

Article 8 Amend Art. 5.7, Sec. 5.7.5 Bylaws - Wetlands

On motion of Edwin J. Loschi, Jr., it was voted that the Town amend Section 5.7.5 of the General Bylaws of the Town by deleting that section in its entirety and substituting therefor the following:

"All hearings and public meetings held under Section 40 of Chapter 131 of the General Laws, when it applies, and under this bylaw shall be held simultaneously, whenever possible. Definitions, time frames and procedures, not inconsistent with this bylaw or the regulations adopted pursuant hereto set forth in said Section 40 of Chapter 131 and in the regulations promulgated by the Department of Environmental Protection, as the same may from time to time be amended, are hereby made a part of this bylaw. However, notwithstanding any definitions set forth in said Section 40, Chapter 131 and in the regulations promulgated by the Department of Environmental Protection, the following definitions are hereby also made a part of this bylaw and shall control whenever there is a conflict between the different definitions:

Activity: shall also include the installation of any utility conduit system, including but not limited to drainage, sewage and water systems; and changing of the chemical, thermal or biological characteristics of land or water.

Alter: shall mean to impact by any activity, any area subject to protection under this bylaw.

Bordering Vegetated Wetland: shall include any wetland that touches any creek, river, stream, whether permanent or intermittent, ditch, pond or lake, or bank thereof.

Buffer Zone: shall also include land extending one hundred (100) feet horizontally outward from the boundary of any area subject to protection under this Bylaw except land subject to flooding.

Ditch: shall mean any man-made trench or furrow that has not altered any creek, river, stream, pond or lake, or bank thereof, or wetland.

Floodplain: shall be synonymous with Bordering Land Subject to Flooding.

Groundwater: shall be synonymous with Groundwater Supply.

Stream: shall mean a body of flowing water, whether permanent or intermittent, moving along a hydraulic gradient.

Rare Species: shall also include those plant species listed as rare, threatened or endangered by the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife Natural Heritage Program.

Wetlands: shall mean lands where the water table is at or near the surface, or the land is covered by shallow water. This shall include swamps, wet meadows, bogs and marshes, creeks, rivers, streams, ponds and lakes. Wetlands have one or more of the following three attributes:

1. at least periodically the land supports predominantly hydrophytic vegetation;

2. the substrate is predominately undrained hydric soil;

3. the substrate is saturated with water or covered by shallow water at some time during the growing season of each year. Voted: November 15, 1990

Article 9 Amend Art. 5.7, Sec. 5.7.7 Bylaws - Wetlands

On motion of Edwin J. Loschi, Jr., it was voted that the Town amend Section 5.7.7 of the General Bylaws of the Town by deleting the word "prior" in the phrase "in response to a request for a prior determination ..." Voted: November 13, 1990

Article 10 Amend Art. 5.7, Sec. 5.7.8 Bylaws - Wetlands

On motion of Edwin J. Loschi, Jr., it was voted that the Town amend Section 5.7.8 of the General Bylaws of the Town by inserting after the phrase "deny permission for any" the words "activity that is likely to", by deleting the words "removal, dredging, filling or altering of" and substituting therefor the words "remove, dredge, fill or alter", by adding after the words "flood control," the words "erosion control," and by adding after the word "pollution" the words ", or the protection of fisheries or wildlife" so that the first sentence of said Section 5.7.8 shall read as follows:

"The Conservation Commission is empowered to deny permission for any activity that is likely to remove, dredge, fill or alter subject lands within the Town if, in its judgment, such denial is necessary for the protection of public or private water supply, ground water, flood control, erosion control, storm damage prevention or the prevention of pollution, or the protection of fisheries or wildlife." Voted: November 15, 1990

Article 11 Amend Art. 5.7, Sec. 5.7.11 Bylaws - Wetlands

On motion of Edwin J. Loschi, Jr., it was voted that the Town amend Section 5.7.11 of the Bylaws of the Town by deleting the second sentence thereof and by substituting therefor the sentence "Emergency projects shall mean any projects certified to be an emergency by the Conservation Commission." Voted: November 15, 1990

Article 12 Amend Art. 5.7, Sec. 5.7.15 Bylaws - Wetlands

On motion of Edwin J. Loschi, Jr., it was voted that the Town amend Section 5.7.15 of the General Bylaws of the Town by renumbering that section as Section 5.7.17. Voted: November 15, 1990

Article 13 Amend Art. 5.7, Sec. 5.7.15 Bylaws - Wetlands

On motion of Edwin J. Loschi, Jr., it was voted that the Town amend Section 5.7 of the General Bylaws of the Town by adding as new Section 5.7.15 the following:

"The Conservation Commission may require that the applicant bear the full cost of any outside consulting deemed necessary by the Conservation Commission to ensure adequate review of any application or filing made pursuant to this bylaw and the regulations adopted pursuant thereto." Voted: November 15, 1990

Article 14 Amend Art. 5.7, Sec. 5.7.16 Bylaws - Wetlands

On motion of Edwin J. Loschi, Jr., it was voted that the Town amend Section 5.7 of the General Bylaws of the Town by adding a new Section 5.7.16 thereto as follows:

"5.7.16 In addition to any other means of enforcement, the provisions of this bylaw and the regulations adopted pursuant thereto may be enforced by noncriminal disposition in accordance with the provisions of Section 5.11 of these bylaws and Section 21D of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, and for the purposes of such noncriminal disposition the term "enforcing person" shall mean any member of the Conservation Commission, the Conservation Administrator or his or her designee." Voted: November 15, 1990

Article 15 Amend Sec. 4.3.3.1 Zoning Bylaws - Site Plan

On motion of Thomas J. Stohlman, it was voted that the Town amend Section 4.3.3.1. of the Reading Zoning By-Laws as follows:

By adding in the first paragraph of said Section the words ", or occupancy allowed," between the words "...shall be issued" and the words "for the construction..."; and by deleting the words "valued at $30,000 or more"; so that said paragraph will read:

"No building or other permit, license, or approval shall be issued, or occupancy allowed, for the construction, expansion, or alteration of the following uses, or relocation of the following buildings or structures, or for the change in use of land and buildings to the following; until a site plan for the lot on which such building or use is, or is proposed to be, located, has been submitted and approved as provided herein:

(a) Any public or quasi-public, business, service, automotive, industrial, or recreational use.

(b) Any apartment, boarding house, roadside stand, or other permitted use substantially similar to the uses specified in subparagraphs (a) and (b) hereof."

By adding the following subsections immediately after said paragraph:

"4.3.3.1.1. Waiver: The Community Planning and Development Commission shall waive with or without conditions the requirement for Site Plan Review for any of the following reasons:

(a) The construction, expansion, or alteration only involves the interior renovation of an existing space and the proposed changes will not result in an adverse impact in the areas described in Section 4.3.3.5., or

(b) The proposed change in use is within the same use category and will not result in an adverse impact in the areas described in Section 4.3.3.5., or

(c) The property has undergone Site Plan Review and approval within the past five (5) years and the proposed changes will not result in an adverse impact in the areas described in Section 4.3.3.5.

If the Community Planning and Development Commission does not act within thirty (30) days of receiving a waiver request, the waiver shall be deemed granted.

4.3.3.1.2. Exemptions: Site Plan Review shall not be required for the following:

(a) The construction is solely for the maintenance or repair of the existing structure.

(b) The construction, expansion, or alteration of a building or structure does not exceed 300 (three hundred) gross square feet, or such alteration involves only interior renovation of less than 1000 (one thousand) gross square feet.

(c) The construction, expansion, or alteration only involves the modification of internal electrical, plumbing, or mechanical systems."

2/3 vote required
88 voted in the affirmative
2 voted in the negative
7 abstained

Voted: November 15, 1990

Article 16 Amend Sec. 2.2.13 Zoning Bylaws - Frontage

On motion of Thomas J. Stohlman, it was voted that the Town amend Section 2.2.13. of the Reading Zoning By-Laws by adding the words ", not burdened by access easement at the time of subdivision," between the words "...of a street line" and the words "across which access...", so that said Section will read:

"2.2.13. FRONTAGE: the continuous length of a street line, not burdened by access easement at the time of subdivision, across which access is legally and physically available for pedestrians and vehicles. The end of a street without a cul-de-sac shall not be considered frontage."

2/3 vote required
88 voted in the affirmative
8 voted in the negative

Voted: November 15, 1990

Article 17 Amend Sec. 5.4 Bylaws - Wells

On motion of Dr. Paul F. Caselle, it was voted that the Town amend Section 5.4 "Excavations and Wells" of the General Bylaws of the Town by deleting the words "an abandoned well or", the word "either" and the words "or shall fill such well to the level of the ground" in the first sentence of Section 5.4.2 thereof so that said first sentence shall read: "The owner or owners of land whereon is located a well in use shall provide a covering for such well capable of sustaining weight of three hundred (300) pounds." Voted: November 15, 1990

Article 18 Accept Ch. 32B, S9E - Insurance

On motion of Russell T. Graham, it was voted that the Town accept the provisions of General Laws Chapter 32B, Section 9E relating to subsidiary or additional rates for certain insurance payments and matters relating thereto for retired employees. Voted: November 15, 1990

Article 19 Repurchase of Cemetery Lots

On motion of John M. Silvaggi, it was voted that the Town transfer the amount of Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($7,500.00) from the Cemetery Sale of Lots Fund and appropriate said sum for the purpose of purchasing unwanted grave spaces. Voted: November 15, 1990

Article 20 Offering Surplus Property to Non-Profit Organizations

On motion of Sally M. Hoyt, it was voted that the subject matter of Article 20 be indefinitely postponed. Voted: November 15, 1990

Article 21 Amend Bylaws Art. 3 to Establish Land Advisory Comm.

Philip B. Pacino moved that the Town vote to amend the General Bylaws by adding a new section to Article 3 to read as follows:

3.8Land Advisory Committee
3.8.1There shall be a Land Advisory Committee consisting of five (5) voters of the Town, appointed by the Moderator for three (3) year staggered terms, so arranged that two terms shall expire in one year, two terms shall expire the following year and one term shall expire in the next following year, such terms to expire on the first day of July.
3.8.2The Land Advisory Committee shall report to Town Meeting on all

proposed uses, purchases, takings, sales, conveyances, and alterations of Town-owned or proposed Town-owned land, all proposed takings and releases of Town-owned easements and on all proposed street acceptances, whenever any of the foregoing require Town Meeting approval or petition to the General Court. The Land Advisory Committee may also report on any article in a Warrant that in its judgment significantly affects the use of Town-owned land. Land Advisory Committee Reports to the Town shall be in the form of recommendations and contain written rationale and be included in the Finance Committee Report as specified in Section 3.4.2 of these Bylaws. The Land Advisory Committee shall have access to all information, data, proposals, requests for proposals, agreements, and minutes of any official body, whether held in Open or Executive Session, related to Warrant articles on which the Land Advisory Committee intends to report. When such information is from Executive Session, each Land Advisory Committee member shall be held to the same confidentiality requirements as those placed on the members of the official body which is the source of the information.
3.8.3If any member of the Land Advisory Committee shall be absent for three (3) or more successive meetings, the other members of said committee may, by affirmative vote of its majority, request the Moderator to remove such absenting member and shall notify him by mail of such removal.

This motion was voted in the negative.
Voted: November 15, 1990

Article 22 Amend Bylaws Sec. 2.1.8 on Land Advisory Comm.

On motion of Philip B. Pacino, it was voted to indefinitely postpone the subject matter of Article 22. Voted: November 15, 1990

Article 23 Authorizing Expenditure of Chap. 90 (Highway) Funds

On motion of George V. Hines, it was voted to indefinitely postpone the subject matter of Article 23. Voted: November 15, 1990

Article 24 Accepting an Easement for Drainage - Summer Ave.

On motion of Sally M. Hoyt, it was voted that the subject matter of Article 24 be indefinitely postponed. Voted: November 15, 1990

Article 25 Approval of Renovations to the Senior Center

On motion of Eugene R. Nigro, it was voted that the Town raise by borrowing, as provided under Chapter 44, Sections 7 and 8 of the General Laws, or any other enabling authority, the sum of Seven Hundred Fifty-Seven Thousand Dollars ($757,000.00), and appropriate said sum for the purpose of making renovations and additions to the former fire station on Pleasant and Parker Streets so as to convert it into a Senior Citizens Center, including the cost of original furnishings and equipment, engineering and architectural fees, inspection fees, contingencies and related facilities incidental thereto and necessary in connection therewith, said sum to be spent by and under the direction of the Board of Selectmen; however, any borrowing authorized by this Article and appropriation pursuant thereto shall be contingent on the receipt of a grant, or grants, to defray all of the costs of said renovations and additions and related matters; and to authorize the Town Manager to enter into all contracts as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this Article. Voted: November 26, 1990

Article 26 Approval - School Building Project

On motion of Carol S. Lyons it was voted that the Town raise by borrowing as provided under Chapter 44, Sections 7 and 8 of the General Laws, or any other enabling authority which may include Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948 as amended, the sum of Four Million Six Hundred Eight Thousand Dollars ($4,608,000.00) and appropriate said sum for the purpose of renovations and additions to the Birch Meadow School on Arthur B. Lord Drive and the Joshua Eaton School on Summer Avenue, including the costs of original furnishings and equipment, engineering and architectural fees, inspection fees, contingencies and related facilities incidental thereto and necessary in connection therewith, said sum to be spent by and under the direction of the School Committee. The Town further votes to authorize the School Committee to file applications for grants to be used to defray all or any part of the cost of said school renovations and additions and related matters. The Town further authorizes the School Committee to enter into all contracts and agreements as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Article. Provided, however, that any borrowing authorized by this Article and appropriation pursuant thereto shall be contingent upon the passage of a debt exclusion referendum question under General Laws Chapter 59, Section 21C, and further, provided that no sum in excess of the funding needed to prepare plans, specifications, and for preliminary expenses in connection with making application for School Building Assistance will be expended until such time as the Town has been notified that School Building Assistance Funds have been granted for this project.

2/3 vote required
102 voted in the affirmative
44 voted in the negative

Voted: November 26, 1990

Article 27 Funding - Special Election - Debt Exclusion

On motion of Daniel A. Ensminger, it was voted that the Town transfer from Certified Free Cash and appropriate to the following line items in the FY1991 Municipal Budget the sum of Twelve Thousand Dollars ($12,000.00) for the purpose of holding a special election for a referendum question under General Laws Chapter 59, Section 21C relating to the subject matter of Article 26 of this warrant:

Line item 39
Elections and Registration Personal Services
Five Thousand One Hundred Dollars ($5,100.00)

Line item 40
Elections and Registration Non-Personal Expenses Four Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars ($4,900.00)

Line item 60
Police Personal Services
Two Thousand Dollars ($2,000.00)
Voted: November 26, 1990

TOWN OF READING MASSACHUSETTS
FIVE YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
Fiscal Years 1991 through 1995

(cost in 000's)

Project #	Project Description	Cost by year and source of funding FY91	FY92	FY93	FY94	FY95
FIN-2	Replace Data Proc Equip	13.45A	15A	15A	15A	15A
FIN-3	D.P. Equip - Assessors	5A	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
PS-F-4	Ladder Truck	-0-	370D	-0-	-0-	-0-
PS-F-5	Replace Bucket Truck	-0-	-0-	37S	-0-	-0-
PS-F-6	Replace Pickup Truck	-0-	-0-	15S	-0-	-0-
PS-F-7	Replace Pumper	-0-	-0-	-0-	160D	-0-
PS-F-8	Replace Ambulance	-0-	75S	-0-	-0-	-0-
PS-P-4	Signals - Square	-0-	1500G	-0-	-0-	-0-
PW-B-2	Reconstruct Lib Park Lot	-0-	42S	-0-	-0-	-0-
PW-B-6	Elder Serv.-Center	-0-	450D	-0-	-0-	-0-
PW-B-7	Library Improvements	16A	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
PW-C-3	Cemetery Development	-0-	75C	75C	-0-	-0-
PW-C-6	Replace Backhoe	-0-	-0-	20C	-0-	-0-
PW-C-7	Replace Mower	-0-	6C	-0-	-0-	-0-
PW-E-1	Replace Backhoe/loader	-0-	45S	-0-	-0-	-0-
PW-E-4	Replace Dump Trucks	55S	55S	55S	55S	55S
PW-E-5	Replace Pickup Truck	-0-	12S	-0-	-0-	-0-
PW-E-7	Replcmt. Other Equip.	-0-	30S	100S	100S	100S
PW-E-8	Replace Sweeper	75S	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

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TOWN OF READING MASSACHUSETTS
FIVE YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
Fiscal Years 1991 through 1995

(cost in 000's)

Project #		Project Description	Cost by year and source of funding FY91	FY92	FY93	FY94	FY95
PW-P-1		Renovation of Pool	20A	100D	-0-	-0-	-0-
PW-P-2		Park Development	-0-	50D	50D	50D	-0-
PW-R-1		Street Overlay	-0-	75A	75A	75A	75A
PW-R-2		St.Reconstruction	-0-	500D	-0-	500D	-0-
PW-R-3		Drainage Improvements	-0-	-0-	300D	-0-	300D
PW-R-4		St. Acceptances	-0-	15B	15B	15B	15B
PW-R-5		Walkers Brook Drive Improvements	-0-	440G 145B	-0-	-0-	-0-
PW-R-6		Chapt. 90 Imprvmts.	-0-	60G	60G	60G	60G
PW-R-7		Curb/Sidewalk Const	-0-	25D	75D	100D	100D
PW-R-8		East Side Neigh. Imp.	100G	--	--	--	--
PW-R-9		Depot Parking	-0-	40D	40D	-0-	-0-
PW-S-1		Inflow/Infiltration	63.7G 21.3E	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
PW-S-2		Main Reconstruction	-0-	450G 50E	-0-	-0-	-0-
PW-W-2		Water Treat/Storage	157E	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
PW-W-3		Vehicle	45E	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
PW-W-4		New Well Development	-0-	100E	-0-	-0-	-0-
SD-1		Computer/Wd Proc Equip	35A	35A	35A	35A	40A
SD-2	+	Roof Replacement	262D	46A	160D	-0-	-0-
SD-3		Space Remodelling-Elem	1000D	1000D	-0-	-0-	50A
SD-4		Chp 504-Lifts-Toilet Rem	-0-	15A	-0-	-0-	-0-
SD-6		Energy Related Proj	15A	15A	15A	15A	15A
SD-7		Vehicle Replacement	12A	12A	15A	15A	15A
SD-8		Floor Tile Replacement	15A	15A	15A	15A	15A
SD-9		Install Suspnded Ceiling	-0-	-0-	-0-	25A	-0-
SD-10		Window Replacement	-0-	175D	30A	-0-	-0-
SD-11		Refurbish Kitchen	-0-	-0-	50A	-0-	-0-
SD-12		Rplce Clsrm/Cafe Furn.	15A	18A	18A	18A	20A
SD-13		Gate/Zone Vlve Replcmt	10A	10A	10A	10A	10A
SD-15		Oil Tank Replacement	-0-	10A	10A	10A	5A
SD-16	+	Asbestos Abatement	(57*)	145D	88D	88D	88D
SD-18	+	Track Renovation	30A	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
SD-19	+	Boiler Replacement-H.S.	65A	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
SD-20		Space Remodel-Secondary	25A	25A	25A	-0-	-0-
SD-21		Portable Bldg. - Eaton	62A	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
LD-1	+	Purchase/Remodel Space	3500D	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

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SUMMARY OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM BY YEAR BY SOURCE OF FUNDS

(Cost in 000's)

	FY91	FY92	FY93	FY94	FY95	Total
A	338.45	291.00	313.00	233.00	260.00	1,435.45
B		160.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	205
C		81.00	95.00			176
D	4762.00	2855.00	713.00	898.00	488.00	9,716
E	223.30	150.00				373.3
G	163.70	2450.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	2,793.7
S	130.00	259.00	207.00	155.00	155.00	906
	5617.45	6246.00	1403.00	1361.00	978.00	15,605.45

*57 from proceeds of previously sold Bond issues

SOURCE OF FUNDING - A Annual Appropriation
B Betterment
C Sale of Cemetery Lots
D Debt to be authorized
E Enterprise Appropriation
G Grant or outside funding
S Sale of Real Estate

+ Articles on 1990 Annual Town Meeting Warrant or Special Warrant

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No.	TOWN MEETING As Amended
ACCOUNTING DEPT.	
1 Personal Serv.	76,906
2 Non-Personal Exp.	1,250
TOTAL	78,156
COMMUNITY DEVL. DEPT.	
CONSERVATION DIV	
3 Personal Serv.	27,307
4 Non-Personal Exp.	500
PLANNING DIV	
5 Personal Serv.	40,904
6 Non-Personal Exp.	0
ZONING BOARD	
7 Personal Serv.	1,100
8 Non-Personal Exp.	75
HISTORICAL COMM.	
9 Non-Personal Exp.	1,000
INSPECTION DIV.	
10 Personal Serv.	53,586
11 Non-Personal Exp.	2,000
GENERAL DEPT	
12 Personal Serv.	9,220
13 Non-Personal Exp inc OST not to exceed*	2,325
TOTAL	
Personal Serv.	132,117
Non-Personal Exp.	5,900
Total	138,017
FINANCE DEPT.	
FIN COM	
14 Personal Serv.	1,760
15 Non-Personal Exp.	39,150
16 Reserve Fund	180,000

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No.		TOWN MEETING As Amended
FINANCE CONTINUED		
ASSESSMENT DIV		
Personal Serv.		
17	Elect. Off.	11,775
18	Elec. Off. Reval	
19	Other	63,315
20	Non-Personal Exp.	12,300
21	Capital	5,000
22	Interest-Tax Appeal	0
TREAS./COLLECT. DIV		
23	Personal Serv.	0
24	Non-Personal Exp.	0
DATA PROCESSING		
25	Non-Personal Exp inc OST not to exceed*	51,800
26	Capital	13,400
GENERAL DEPARTMENT		
27	Personal Serv.	220,483
28	Non-Personal Exp.	61,250
Total		
Personal Serv.		297,333
Non-Personal Exp.		344,500
Capital		18,400
TOTAL		660,233
GENERAL SERVICES DEPT.		
SELECTMEN		
29	Non-Personal Exp.	8,775
TOWN MANAGER		
30	Personal Serv.	64,730
31	Non-Personal Exp inc OST not to exceed*	4,950
LAW DIV.		
Non-Personal Exp.		
32	Town Counsel	95,000
33	Labor Counsel	15,000
34	Other	3,500
PERSONNEL DIV.		
35	Personal Serv.	7,250
36	Non-Personal Exp.	31,000

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No.		TOWN MEETING As Amended
GENERAL SERVICES CONTINUED		
TOWN CLERK DIV		
37	Personal Serv.	31,270
38	Non-Personal Exp.	1,980
ELECTIONS/REG		
39	Personal Serv.	19,090
40	Non-Personal Exp.	17,000
41	CASUALTY INS	260,000
42	INDEMN POL/FIRE	20,000
GENERAL DEPARTMENT		
43	Personal Serv.	117,491
44	Non-Personal Exp. inc OST not to exceed*	67,523
Total		
Personal Serv		239,831
Non-Personal Exp		524,728
TOTAL		764,559
HUMAN SERVICES DEPT.		
HEALTH DIVISION		
45	Personal Serv.	30,868
46	Non-Personal Exp inc OST not to exceed*	32,064
ELDER SERVICES DIV		
47	Personal Serv.	71,670
48	Non Personal Exp.	8,702
VETERANS SERV DIV		
49	Personal Serv.	7,832
Non-Personal Exp.		
50	Aid	16,000
51	Other	400
RECREATION		
52	Personal Serv.	53,233
53	Non-Personal Exp.	36,740
WEIGHTS & MEASURES		
54	Personal Serv.	2,000
55	Non-Personal Exp.	500

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No.	TOWN MEETING As Amended
HUMAN SERVICES CONTINUED	
GENERAL DEPT	
56 Personal Serv.	84,804
57 Non-Personal Exp inc OST not to exceed*	2,608
TOTAL	
Personal Serv.	250,407
Non-Personal Exp.	97,014
TOTAL	347,421
LIBRARY DEPT.	
58 Personal Serv.	360,658
59 Non-Personal Exp inc OST not to exceed*	88,600
TOTAL	449,258
PUBLIC SAFETY DEPT.	
POLICE	
60 Personal Serv.	1,788,808
61 Non-Personal Exp inc OST not to exceed*	143,800
62 Capital	0
ANIMAL CONTROL	
63 Personal Serv.	9,500
64 Non-Personal Exp.	5,350
Capital	
FIRE	
65 Personal Serv.	1,763,906
66 Non-Personal Exp inc OST not to exceed*	82,830
67 Capital (radio/car)	0
EMERGENCY MGMT	
68 Personal Serv.	2,480
69 Non-Personal Exp.	319
GENERAL DEPARTMENT	
70 Personal Serv.	129,550
71 Non-Personal Exp.	25,700

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No.		TOWN MEETING As Amended
PUBLIC SAFETY CONTINUED		
TOTAL		
Personal Serv.		3,694,244
Non-Personal Exp.		257,999
Capital		0
TOTAL		3,952,243
PUBLIC WORKS DEPT.		
BLDG MAINT		
72	Personal Serv.	144,738
73	Non-Personal Exp.	253,185
74	Capital (General)	16,000
ENGINEERING		
75	Personal Serv.	175,958
76	Non-Personal Exp.	6,734
ADMINISTRATION		
77	Personal Serv.	135,395
78	Non-Personal Exp.	4,750
HIGHWAY MAINT		
79	Personal Serv.	419,258
80	Non-Personal Exp inc OST not to exceed*	122,195
HIGHWAY MAINT		
Capital		
81	Library Prkng Lot	0
82	Street Recon	0
83	Street Accept.	0
84	Drainage	0
85	Walk/Curb Program	0
86	STREET LIGHT	168,164
87	RUBBISH COLL/DISP	924,592
88	Hazardous Waste	
PARKS & PROP MAINT		
89	Personal Serv.	119,351
90	Non-Personal Exp.	24,401
91	Capital	20,000
FORESTRY		
92	Personal Serv.	103,749
93	Non-Personal Exp.	14,308
94	Town Forest Comm.	500

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PUBLIC WORKS CONTINUED		
EQUIP MAINT		
95 Personal Serv.	111,352	
96 Non-Personal Exp.	117,563	
97 Capital	75,000	($75,000 from Sale of Real Estate Funds)
TOTAL		
98 Personal Serv.	1,209,801	
99 Non-Personal Exp inc OST not to exceed*	1,636,392	
100 Capital	111,000	
Subtotal	2,957,193	
101 SNOW & ICE CONTROL	150,000	
CEMETERY DEPT.		/($10,000 from Sale of Lots)
102 Personal Serv.	166,522	\($77,082 from Bequest Inc.)
103 Non-Personal Exp.	30,575	($30,000 from Sale of Lots)
104 Capital Developmnt		
TOTAL		
Personal Serv.	1,376,323	
Non-Personal Exp.	1,816,967	
Capital	111,000	
TOTAL	3,304,290	
SCHOOL DEPT.		
105 Personal Serv.	12,337,329	
Non-Personal Exp.		
106 Athletics	9,408	
107 Special Educ.	881,217	
108 Other	1,437,046	
109 TOTAL	14,665,000	
NORTHEAST REGIONAL Vocational School Dist		
110 Assessment	149,999	
TOTAL	14,814,999	

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No.		TOWN MEETING As Amended	
DEBT SERVICE			
111	Retirement of Debt	920,232	
112	Int.-Long Term Debt	432,542	
113	Short Term Int. Exp	251,272	
114	TOTAL	1,604,046	($1,125,000 from Sale of Real Estate Fund)
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS			
115	Contrib Ret.	1,702,217	($100,000 from new
116	Non Contrib Ret.	64,156	Sale of Real Estate Fund)
117	Unemplymnt Benefits	277,252	
118	Group Health/Life	2,110,638	($497,000 from Free Cash)
119	Medicare	75,000	
120	Workers Comp	220,000	($192,000 from Abatement Surplus)
TOTAL		4,449,263	
RECAP TOTALS		30,562,485	
WATER			
121	Personal Serv	488,076	
Non-Personal Exp.			
	Personnel Benefits	173,005	
	Other inc OST not to exceed*	656,926	
122	Total Non-Pers Exp.	829,931	
123	Debt Service	290,113	
124	Capital	202,000	($37,000 from Water Surplus)
TOTAL		1,810,120	
SEWER			
125	Personal Serv.	164,071	

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No.	TOWN MEETING As Amended	
SEWER CONTINUED		
Non-Personal Expense		
Personnel Benefits	58,351	
Other inc OST not to exceed*	183,490	
126 Total Non-Pers Exp.	241,841	
127 MWRA	1,515,835	($190,000 from Sewer Surplus)
128 Debt Service	86,113	
129 Capital	0	
TOTAL	2,007,860	
RECAP TOTALS	34,380,465	

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ARTICLE 10 On motion of John W. Price, Option 3 was voted on a roll call vote with each member indicating the number of the option for which he/she was voting.

Adjourned Annual Town Meeting **May 10, 1990**

PRECINCT 1

BAGGS FRANK H JR	3	KONISKY RAYMOND A	3
BOUCHER JAMES R	1	LIVINGSTONE EARLE C	2
CHUHA STEPHEN C JR	3	MACARI THOMAS	-
CONVERSE HERBERT W	3	NITZSCHE CURT E	3
CUMMINGS MATTHEW	3	NITZSCHE SALLY C	-
DOUCETTE BARBARA I	2	OFENSTEIN SHARON K	-
FALLON JOHN L JR	1	OFENSTEIN W.THOMAS	-
FANTASIA DORIS M	-	PROCTOR MAURICE C JR	3
FOTINO RICHARD P SR	3	QUIMBY CATHERINE A	*
HANSON RICHARD W	-	RYAN THOMAS J	3
JAREMA JOHN A	2	SULLIVAN JOHN P JR	3
KING KENNETH A	-	WALCOTT ROBERT J	-

PRECINCT 2

ADAMS VIRGINIA M	3	MARTIN FREDERICK F JR	2
BURKE FRANCIS P	1	OSHAUGHNESSY BRIAN A	-
CARROLL DOLORES S	3	PARSONS JOHN E III	-
DAVIS WAYNE S	-	REDFERN ELLEN	1
EBERT LEONARD J	-	REILLY BRUCE A	1
FALLER GAIL A	-	RICH MAUREEN	-
FOULDS ALAN E	-	RICKLEY ANTHONY L	1
GENTILE ANN E	-	SALTER ROBERT S	3
GIORDANI JOHN J	3	WATSON LARRY B	3
LANE GINNY	3	WOOD GAIL F	2
LEBLANC PHILIP D	3	WOOD JOHN D	2

PRECINCT 3

BARTOSCH WILLIAM J JR	3	KORTH CAROLYN H	3
BEECH KENNETH J	-	LYONS CAROL S	3
BOGHOSIAN DAVID A	-	MACDONALD GERALD L	3
CARLSON VICTOR R	3	MAILLETT ROBERTA P	-
DANTONA ROBERTA C	2	MARSHALL WILLIAM J	3
DEMPSTER RICHARD S	3	MAYBERRY RICHARD W	3
DIPIETRO STEPHEN M	2	MCCORMACK GEORGE A	1
DONOVAN AGNES H	3	MILANO JOHN L SR	3
EVANS COURTNEY A	-	NICHOLS BENJAMIN E	-
FIORE GERALD A	-	PEDERSEN DANA C	3
FIORE JANE M	1	WATSON LANCE	3
GUENTHER MICHAEL M	-	WIEWORKA ARDITH A	2

PRECINCT 4

BOISVERT PHILIP B	3	HARTZLER GLEN M	-
BURDITT WILLARD J	1	LOCKE WILLIAM E	-
EDWARDS JONATHAN	3	LOSCHI EDWIN J JR	3
GRAHAM NANCY M	1	MURPHY EDWARD F JR	-
GRAHAM RUSSELL T	1	NIGRO EUGENE R	1
HARRISON RANDOLPH R JR	1	NORDBERG NILS L	-

PRECINCT 4 (continued)

PACINO PHILIP B	-	TWOMEY TIMOTHY R	2
PRICE JOHN W	3	VINCENT MARY R	1
ROGERS RICHARD C	1	WESTRA ROSALYN W	3
SMETHURST EDWARD G	2	YORK IRENE M	3
THEOPHANIS GEORGE A	-	YORK LESLIE H	3
TRAINOR STEPHANIE J	-	ZIEGLER MARY S	2

PRECINCT 5

BECKWITH CAROL S	3	MACLEOD WAYNE A	-
CASELLE PAUL F	2	MCKINLEY RHETA C	-
CEFALO RICHARD R	-	MCWILLIAMS GEORGE M	3
CLEARY PAUL F	-	OLEARY JAMES L	2
DRISCOLL EDWARD F III	3	PHILBRICK BARBARA B	-
FERRARI ROBERT J	3	POTHIER ROBERT G	3
FULLER ROBERT L	1	RADVILLE RICHARD A	2
GRIFFIN ROBERT P JR	1	RAINVILLE GEORGE R	-
HAYES LAURENCE F JR	2	SHANNON GEORGE J	3
HIGGOTT ELEANOR K	3	SIMONE MARIA A	3
HIGGOTT HENRY A	3	TUCKER M.JANE	3
MABIUS LAWRENCE E	-	TUCKER STEPHEN G	2

PRECINCT 6

AREGLADO RICHARD G	-	HOYT SALLY M	1
BARCROFT RALPH W	3	KAINE DIANA M	3
BORDEAU CYRIL F	-	LIPPITT JOHN A	-
CAIRL JACK G	3	LYNCH ROBERT R	-
CHAMPA WILLIAM A	2	MACDONALD W.BRUCE	3
CHANDLER RODNEY J	2	MITCHEL BARRY J	1
COCO JOAN M	3	MITCHEL JUDITH A	1
COCO RICHARD H	-	ROSE BEATRICE H	1
FANDEL JAMES J	1	SHIELDS PETER A	-
FAVALORO MARK J	-	STACKPOLE IRVING L	3
FULGONI KEVIN M	3	TULIKANGAS ROBERT J	-
HALEY LESLIE J	2	ZITZOW ROBERT P	3

PRECINCT 7

BESEN PETER D	3	HINES GEORGE V	1
BLADE MICHAEL E	-	HUGHES WILLIAM J JR	1
CARPENTER JOHN E	3	JOHNSON MARK H	1
CULLEN MAUREEN	1	LEACH KENNETH W	-
DURKIN LAWRENCE A	3	LECLAIRE STUART S	1
ENSMINGER DANIEL A	-	MACDONNELL JOHN F	3
FERGUSON PAUL W	1	MANVILLE JOANNE E	2
HANSON MICHAEL A	-	MARGOSSIAN WILLARD Z	1

PRECINCT 7 (continued)

MORSE WILLIAM A	3	STOHLMAN THOMAS J	1
ODONOGHUE CAROL A	3	SWYTER DAVID M	1
SLEZAK MICHAEL F	2	TAMBURRINO THOMAS J	1
SMITH C.DEWEY	-	TAYLOR JAMES K	-

PRECINCT 8

ALLEN DONALD C	*	PERRY GEORGE B II	3
BROWN ROBERT A	1	POOLE SHERYL L	1
BROWN WILLIAM C	3	RIVERS JOHN R	3
COOPER KENDRA JG	-	RUSSELL JOHN H	-
GALVIN GREGORY C	1	RUSSELL MARGARET W	-
GORGONE FRANCIS P	3	SABO SARA C	1
HOWARD RICHARD D	1	SILVAGGI JOHN M	-
HULSE GLORIA R	2	SILVAGGI MARIA E	1
IAPICCA PASQUALE M	-	SPAULDING WALTER J JR	3
KLEPEIS ELIZABETH W	1	THOMASES STEPHEN W	2
NORDSTRAND ROBERT I	1	VANMAGNESS FREDERICK	2
OCONNELL RONALD V	3	WHITE NATHAN C	1

*abstention
- no response

132 members voted
2 members abstained

TOWN OF READING MASSACHUSETTS
FIVE YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
Fiscal Years 1991 through 1995

(cost in 000's)

Project #		Project Description	Cost by year and source of funding FY91	FY92	FY93	FY94	FY95
FIN-2		Replace Data Proc Equip	13.4A	15A	15A	15A	15A
FIN-3		D.P. Equip - Assessors	5A	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
PS-F-4		Ladder Truck	-0-	370D	-0-	-0-	-0-
PS-F-5		Replace Bucket Truck	-0-	-0-	37S	-0-	-0-
PS-F-6		Replace Pickup Truck	-0-	-0-	15S	-0-	-0-
PS-F-7		Replace Pumper	-0-	-0-	-0-	160D	-0-
PS-F-8		Replace Ambulance	-0-	75S	-0-	-0-	-0-
PS-P-4		Signals - Square	-0-	1500G	-0-	-0-	-0-
PW-B-2		Reconstruct Lib Park Lot	-0-	42S	-0-	-0-	-0-
PW-B-6	+	**Elder Serv.-Center**	**757G**	**-0-**	-0-	-0-	-0-
PW-B-7		Library Improvements	16A	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
PW-C-3		Cemetery Development	-0-	75C	75C	-0-	-0-
PW-C-6		Replace Backhoe	-0-	-0-	20C	-0-	-0-
PW-C-7		Replace Mower	-0-	6C	-0-	-0-	-0-
PW-E-1		Replace Backhoe/loader	-0-	45S	-0-	-0-	-0-
PW-E-4		Replace Dump Trucks	**-0-**	55S	55S	55S	55S
PW-E-5		Replace Pickup Truck	-0-	12S	-0-	-0-	-0-
PW-E-7		Replcmt. Other Equip.	-0-	30S	100S	100S	100S
PW-E-8		Replace Sweeper	75S	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

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PW-P-1		Renovation of Pool	20A	100D	-0-	-0-	-0-
PW-P-2		Park Development	-0-	50D	50D	50D	-0-
PW-R-1		Street Overlay	-0-	75A	75A	75A	75A
PW-R-2		St.Reconstruction	-0-	500D	-0-	500D	-0-
PW-R-3	+	**Drainage Improvements**	**3.5A**	-0-	300D	-0-	300D
PW-R-4		St. Acceptances	-0-	15B	15B	15B	15B
PW-R-5		Walkers Brook Drive Improvements	-0-	440G 145B	-0-	-0-	-0-
PW-R-6	+	**Chapt. 90 Imprvmts.**	**118G**	**118G**	**118G**	**118G**	**118G**
PW-R-7		Curb/Sidewalk Const	-0-	25D	75D	100D	100D
PW-R-8		East Side Neigh. Imp.	-0-	**100G**	--	--	--
PW-R-9		Depot Parking	-0-	40D	40D	-0-	-0-
PW-S-1		Inflow/Infiltration	63.7G 21.3E	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
PW-S-2		Main Reconstruction	-0-	450G 50E	-0-	-0-	-0-
PW-S-3	+	**Betterments**	**40B**	**-0-**	**-0-**	**-0-**	**-0-**
PW-W-2		Water Treat/Storage	157E	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
PW-W-3		Vehicle	45E	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
PW-W-4		New Well Development	-0-	100E	-0-	-0-	-0-
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SD-4		Chp 504-Lifts-Toilet Rem	-0-	15A	-0-	-0-	-0-
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SD-9		Install Suspnded Ceiling	-0-	-0-	-0-	25A	-0-
SD-10		Window Replacement	-0-	175D	30A	-0-	-0-
SD-11		Refurbish Kitchen	-0-	-0-	50A	-0-	-0-
SD-12		Rplce Clsrm/Cafe Furn.	15A	18A	18A	18A	20A
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SD-16		Asbestos Abatement	**-0-**	145D	88D	88D	88D
SD-18		Track Renovation	**-0-**	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
SD-19		Boiler Replacement-H.S.	**-0-**	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
SD-20		Space Remodel-Secondary	25A	25A	25A	-0-	-0-
SD-21		Portable Bldg. - Eaton	62A	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
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	FY91	FY92	FY93	FY94	FY95	Total
A	246.9	291.00	313.00	233.00	260.00	1343.9
B	40	160.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	245
C		81.00	95.00			176
D	8370.00	1405.00	713.00	898.00	488.00	11874
E	223.30	150.00				373.3
G	938.70	2608.00	118.00	118.00	118.00	3900.7
S	75.00	259.00	207.00	155.00	155.00	851
	9893.9	4954.00	1461.00	1419.00	1036.00	18763.9

SOURCE OF FUNDING - A Annual Appropriation
B Betterment
C Sale of Cemetery Lots
D Debt to be authorized
E Enterprise Appropriation
G Grant or outside funding
S Sale of Real Estate

+ Articles on 1990 Subsequent Town Meeting Warrant or Special Warrant

Revised 10-19-90

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

March 19, 1990

Pursuant to the Warrant and the Constable's Return thereon, a General Election was held at the time and places specified in the Warrant, and was called to order by the Wardens in the precincts as follows:

Precinct 1.	J. Warren Killam School	Barbara Takach
Precinct 2.	J. Warren Killam School	Eleanor M. Brown
Precinct 3.	Joshua Eaton School	Carol Beckwith
Precinct 4.	Joshua Eaton School	Maria E. Silvaggi
Precinct 5.	Alice M. Barrows School	Mary Andreola
Precinct 6.	Alice M. Barrows School	Louis R. Gardner
Precinct 7.	Birch Meadow School	Henry Murphy
Precinct 8.	Birch Meadow School	Kenneth C. Latham

who then partially read the Warrant, when on motion of Nate White, Precinct 1; John W. Batley, Precinct 2; Marilyn Simmons, Precinct 3; George Richards, Precinct 4; Larry Durkin, Precinct 5; Jane A. Ames, Precinct 6; Ruth Converse, Precinct 7; and Anthony Catanzano, Precinct 8, it was voted to dispense with the further reading of the Warrant, except the Constable's Return, which was then read by the respective Wardens.

The ballot boxes were examined by the Wardens and each found to be empty and all registered 000.

The polls were then declared open at 7:00 A.M. and were closed at 8:00 P.M. with the following results: 7,822 ballots cast.

	Pr 1	Pr 2	Pr 3	Pr 4	Pr 5	Pr 6	Pr 7	Pr 8	Total
MODERATOR for one year - Vote for One									
Paul C. Dustin	765	580	504	859	578	766	777	744	5573*
Blanks	319	226	252	330	225	296	320	281	2249
TOTAL	1084	806	756	1189	803	1062	1097	1025	7822
BOARD OF SELECTMEN for Three Years - Vote for Two									
George V. Hines	331	259	264	427	341	427	419	349	2817*
Sally M. Hoyt	413	293	289	454	329	470	413	412	3073*
Stuart S. LeClaire	269	250	211	247	198	262	381	301	2119
William E. Locke	215	194	221	398	176	209	219	232	1864
Curt E. Nitzsche	483	305	196	357	220	354	335	344	2594
Walter Spaulding, Jr.					1				1
Blanks	457	311	331	495	341	402	427	412	3176
Total	2168	1612	1512	2378	1606	2124	2194	2050	15644

Town Election **March 19, 1990**

BOARD OF ASSESSORS for Three Years - Vote for One

Robert I. Nordstrand	777	582	509	852	568	779	797	765	5629*
Blanks	307	224	247	337	235	283	300	260	2193
Total	1084	806	756	1189	803	1062	1097	1025	7822

BOARD OF ASSESSORS for One Year - Vote for One

David R. Nugent	785	584	494	841	558	761	794	762	5579*
Blanks	299	222	262	348	245	301	303	263	2243
Total	1084	806	756	1189	803	1062	1097	1025	7822

* Elected

MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD for Three Years - Vote for One

	Pr 1	Pr 2	Pr 3	Pr 4	Pr 5	Pr 6	Pr 7	Pr 8	Total
James L. O'Leary	770	584	513	840	567	775	788	761	5598*
Blanks	314	222	243	349	236	287	309	264	2224
Total	1084	806	756	1189	803	1062	1097	1025	7822

BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES for Three Years - Vote for Two

Robert J. Fields	757	566	504	836	575	788	775	750	5551*
Elia Dangelmaier Marnik	744	564	533	888	566	755	780	740	5570*
Blanks	667	482	475	654	465	581	639	560	4523
Total	2168	1612	1512	2378	1606	2124	2194	2050	15644

SCHOOL COMMITTEE for Three Years - Vote for Two

Barbara B. Philbrick	725	538	494	806	536	730	739	708	5276*
James F. Nally, Jr.	738	567	512	799	544	751	753	728	5392*
Blanks	705	507	506	773	526	643	702	614	4976
Total	2168	1612	1512	2378	1606	2124	2194	2050	15644

PRECINCT 1

TOWN MEETING MEMBERS for Three Years - Vote for Not More Than Eight

Frank Baggs	587*
James R. Boucher	617*
John L. Fallon, Jr.	602*
Curt E. Nitzsche	680*
Sally C. Nitzsche	668*
Maurice C. Proctor, Jr.	579*
Thomas J. Ryan	581*
Doris M. Fantasia	715*
Blanks	3643
Total	8672

TOWN MEETING MEMBERS for Two Years - Vote for One

Robert J. Walcott	718*
Blanks	366
Total	1084

TOWN MEETING MEMBERS for One Year - Vote for Two

Matthew Cummings	713*
Kenneth A. King	8*
Joan D'Entremont	6
Philip Howells	2
Susan D'Entremont	1
Thomas S. Natale, Jr.	1
Blanks	1437
Total	2168

PRECINCT 2

TOWN MEETING MEMBERS for Three Years - Vote for Not More Than Eight

Virginia M. Adams	488*
Anthony L. Rickley	475*
Gail F. Wood	502*
John D. Wood	469*
Brian A. O'Shaughnessy	522*
Robert Salter	3*
Ginny Lane	2*
Deborah Berndtson	1
Bruce A. Reilly	1
Blanks	3985
Total	6448

* Elected

PRECINCT 3

TOWN MEETING MEMBERS for Three Years - Vote for Not More Than Eight

William Bartosch, Jr.	342*
Agnes H. Donovan	303*
Gerald A. Fiore	301*
Jane M. Fiore	314*
Donald Neary	277
Benjamin E. Nichols	355*
Carol S. Lyons	300*
Paul D. Crotty	244
Carolyn H. Korth	239
Gerald L. MacDonald	329*
Salvatore L. Mele	197

PRECINCT 3 (CONT'D.)

Dana C. Pedersen	286*
Blanks	2561
Total	6048

TOWN MEETING MEMBERS for Two Years - Vote for Two

William Marshall	454*
Carolyn H. Korth	3*
Blanks	1055
Total	1512

TOWN MEETING MEMBER for One Year - Vote for One

George A. McCormack	459*
Blanks	297
Total	756

* Elected

PRECINCT 4

TOWN MEETING MEMBER FOR THREE YEARS - Vote for Not More Than Eight

Russell T. Graham	723*
Eugene R. Nigro	763*
Nils L. Nordberg	717*
Philip B. Pacino	619*
John W. Price	637*
Mary S. Ziegler	716*
William E. Locke	733*
Timothy R. Twomey	650*
Blanks	3954
Total	9512

TOWN MEETING MEMBER FOR ONE YEAR - Vote for One

Philip B. Boisvert	493*
James A. Burditt	376
E. W. Loschi	1
Blanks	319
Total	1189

* Elected

PRECINCT 5

TOWN MEETING MEMBERS FOR THREE YEARS - Vote for Not More Than Eight

Carol S. Beckwith	499*
Robert L. Fuller	395*
Eleanor K. Higgott	346*
Barbara B. Philbrick	402*
George R. Rainville	339*
George J. Shannon	394*
Stephen G. Tucker	379*
William J. Dunn	328
Paul W. Laspina	299
Richard Radville	337*
Blanks	2706
Total	6424

TOWN MEETING MEMBERS for One Year - Vote for Two

Edward F. Driscoll, III	505*
Robert P. Griffin	519*
Blanks	582
Total	1606

PRECINCT 6

TOWN MEETING MEMBERS for Three Years - Vote for not more than Eight

Rodney J. Chandler	606*
James J. Fandel	624*
Irving L. Stackpole	645*
Robert Tulikangas	554*
Sally M. Hoyt	711*
Robert P. Zitzow	620*
Jack G. Cairl	20*
William A. Champa	45*
Robert Smith	2
Anna Champa	1
Blanks	4668
Total	8496

TOWN MEETING MEMBERS for Two Years - Vote for One

W. Bruce MacDonald	25*
Steven L. Cool	2
James J. Sullivan, Jr.	1
Blanks	1034
Total	1062

TOWN METING MEMBERS for One Year - Vote for One

Diana M. Kaine	716*
Blanks	346
Total	1062

PRECINCT 7

TOWN MEETING MEMBERS for Three Years - Vote For Not More Than Eight

John E. Carpenter	525*
Maureen Cullen	556*
Lawrence A. Durkin	463
Daniel A. Ensminger	537*
Martin J. Foodman	430
George V. Hines	568*
Stuart S. LeClaire	525*
C. Dewey Smith	507*
Mark H. Johnson	506**
David M. Swyter	464***
Blanks	3695
Total	8776

TOWN MEETING MEMEBRS for Two Years - Vote for One

Mark H. Johnson	8**
William A. Morse	1*
Blanks	1088
Total	1097

TOWN MEETING MEMBERS for One Year - Vote for Three

Michael E. Blade	622*
Michael A. Hanson	619*
David M. Swyter	1***
Blanks	2049
Total	3291

* Elected
** Elected for Three Year Term
*** Elected for Three Year Term

PRECINCT 8

TOWN MEETING MEMBERS for Three Years - Vote For Not More Than Eight

Kendra J. G. Cooper	515*
Pasquale M. Iapicca	413
Elizabeth W. Klepeis	562*

PRECINCT 8 (CONT'D.)

Robert I. Nordstrand	544*
John H. Russell	471*
John M. Silvaggi	449*
Maria E. Silvaggi	465*
James E. Biller	388
Harvey J. Dahl	358
Walter J. Spaulding, Jr.	511*
Stephen W. Thomases	425*
Blanks	3099
Total	8200

TOWN MEETING MEMBERS for One Year - Vote for one

Francis P. Gorgone	667*
Blanks	358
Total	1025

QUESTION NO. 1

"Shall the Town of Reading be allowed to assess an additional One Million Five Hundred and Fifty-Three Thousand ($1,553,000.00) Dollars in real estate and personal property taxes for the p0rposes of general expenses for school and municipal government for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1990?"

	Pr 1	Pr 2	Pr 3	Pr 4	Pr 5	Pr 6	Pr 7	Pr 8	Totals
YES	380	255	228	550	333	423	459	397	3025
NO	691	544	511	617	450	621	630	619	4683
BLANKS	13	7	17	22	20	18	8	9	114
Total	1084	806	756	1189	803	1062	1097	1025	7822

QUESTION NO. 2

Pursuant to the vote of Town Meeting Members on November 30, 1989 under Article 36 of the Adjourned Subsequent Town Meeting, shall the Reading Home Rule Charter be amended in the second paragraph of Section 3-6 by deleting the words "appraiser" and inserting the words "property appraisers," so as to read:
"The Board of Assessors may appoint property appraisers and shall have all the powers and duties given to Boards of Assessors by the law of the Commonwealth not inconsistent with this Charter.

YES	574	401	368	688	400	624	591	553	4199
NO	361	308	268	315	266	264	339	328	2449
Blanks	149	97	120	186	137	174	167	144	1174
Total	1084	806	756	1189	803	1062	1097	1025	7822

The polls were closed at 8:00 P.M. with the following result: Whole number of votes cast were 7,822.

The votes were publicly announced in open meeting, locked in ballot cases and placed by the Town Clerk in the vault for safe keeping.

Voted to adjourn 11:30 P.M. March 19, 1990.

A true copy. Attest:

Catherine A. Quimby
Town Clerk

STATE PRIMARY

September 18, 1990

Pursuant to the Warrant and the Constable's Return thereon, a State Primary was held at the time and places specified in the Warrant, and was called to order by the Wardens in the precincts as follows:

Precinct 1.	J. Warren Killam School	Barbara I. Takach
Precinct 2.	J. Warren Killam School	Eleanor M. Brown
Precinct 3.	Joshua Eaton School	Carol Beckwith
Precinct 4.	Joshua Eaton School	Lawrence Drew
Precinct 5.	Alice M. Barrows School	Mary Andreola
Precinct 6.	Alice M. Barrows School	Louis R. Gardner
Precinct 7.	Birch Meadow School	Henry A. Murphy, Jr.
Precinct 8.	Birch Meadow School	Kenneth C. Latham

who then partially read the Warrant, when on motion of Norma MacBrien, Precinct 1; Anna A. Sullivan, Precinct 2; Rosemond E. Robinson, Precinct 3; Dorothy Somers, Precinct 4; Olive L. Thompson, Precinct 5; Elizabeth Hancock, Precinct 6; Remo G. Vinci, Precinct 7; and Rita Shaw, Precinct 8, it was voted to dispense with the further reading of the Warrant, except the Constable's Return, which was then read by the respective Wardens.

The ballot boxes were examined by the Wardens and each found to be empty and all registered 000.

The polls were then declared open at 7:00 A.M. and were closed at 8:00 P.M. with the following results:

5,216 Democratic Votes
3,855 Republican Votes

for a total of 9,071 votes as follows:

BALLOT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

	Pr 1	Pr 2	Pr 3	Pr 4	Pr 5	Pr 6	Pr 7	Pr 8	Total
SENATOR IN CONGRESS - Vote for One									
John F. Kerry	474	408	371	492	384	484	449	412	3474
Blanks	258	193	173	263	161	256	228	210	1742
TOTAL	732	601	544	755	545	740	677	622	5216
GOVERNOR - Vote for One									
F. X. Bellotti	238	201	197	273	182	276	222	234	1823
Evelyn F. Murphy	23	12	22	19	23	19	16	25	159
John Silber	448	368	307	433	323	426	415	337	3057
Blanks	23	20	18	30	17	19	24	26	177
TOTAL	732	601	544	755	545	740	677	622	5216

	Pr 1	Pr 2	Pr 3	Pr 4	Pr 5	Pr 6	Pr 7	Pr 8	Total
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR - Vote for One									
M. O. Clapprood	281	268	244	290	231	273	261	267	2115
William B. Golden	143	113	117	156	100	172	150	127	1078
N. A. Paleologos	239	166	132	220	151	226	193	157	1484
Blanks	69	54	51	89	63	69	73	71	539
TOTAL	732	601	544	755	545	740	677	622	5216
ATTORNEY GENERAL - Vote for One									
James M. Shannon	237	199	181	237	207	244	240	209	1754
L.S. Harshbarger	456	377	331	475	308	457	397	364	3165
Blanks	39	25	32	43	30	39	40	49	297
TOTAL	732	601	544	755	545	740	677	622	5216
SECRETARY OF STATE - Vote for One									
M. J. Connolly	470	379	352	482	367	472	421	394	3337
Blanks	262	222	192	273	178	268	256	228	1879
TOTAL	732	601	544	755	545	740	677	622	5216
TREASURER - Vote for One									
William F.Galvin	283	222	198	263	201	253	233	208	1861
George Keverian	196	181	150	224	167	227	206	192	1543
Dick Kraus	181	145	142	180	126	179	165	150	1268
Blanks	72	53	54	88	51	81	73	72	544
TOTAL	732	601	544	755	545	740	677	622	5216
AUDITOR - Vote for One									
A. J. DeNucci	470	394	347	481	368	477	416	396	3349
Blanks	262	207	197	274	177	263	260	226	1867
TOTAL	732	601	544	755	545	740	677	622	5216
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS - 7th District - Vote for One									
Edward J. Markey	511	425	393	528	398	532	474	435	3696
Blanks	221	176	151	227	147	208	203	187	1520
TOTAL	732	601	544	755	545	740	677	622	5216
COUNCILLOR - 5th District - Vote for One									
John F. Markey	359						333	316	1008
Vincent A.Raponi	187						162	141	490
Blanks	186						182	165	533
TOTAL	732						677	622	2031

	Pr 1	Pr 2	Pr 3	Pr 4	Pr 5	Pr 6	Pr 7	Pr 8	Total
COUNCILLOR - 6th District - Vote for One									
J. A. Langone, III		108	115	140	114	157			634
Daniel G. Hurley		297	238	331	246	332			1444
Anthony D. Pini		77	63	93	56	73			362
Blanks		119	128	191	129	178			745
TOTAL		601	544	755	545	740			3185
SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT - 1st Essex & Middlesex District- Vote for One									
P. L. Skibbee	433						380	362	1175
Blanks	299						297	260	856
TOTAL	732						677	622	2031
SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT - 3rd Middlesex District - Vote for One									
Joseph W. Casey		69	58	77	49	83			336
James S. Conway		62	62	55	60	75			314
Michael E. Festa		138	114	155	129	167			703
S. J. McGrail		264	243	327	236	308			1378
Blanks		68	67	141	71	107			454
TOTAL		601	544	755	545	740			3185
REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT - 21st Middlesex District - Vote for One									
E.J. Loschi, Jr.	135	80	99	110	78	91	60	77	730
S. J. O'Leary	91	69	53	71	57	81	74	66	562
S. R. Sullivan	111	131	114	127	142	142	136	134	1037
Sandra J.Trainor	351	274	225	396	241	371	357	302	2517
Blanks	44	47	53	51	27	55	50	43	370
TOTAL	732	601	544	755	545	740	677	622	5216
DISTRICT ATTORNEY - Northern District - Vote for One									
Joseph K. Mackey	206	177	148	210	145	218	190	152	1446
Thomas F. Reilly	222	195	174	257	215	243	238	208	1752
G.W. Spartichino	156	128	126	134	92	138	127	137	1038
Blanks	148	101	96	154	93	141	122	125	980
TOTAL	732	601	544	755	545	740	677	622	5216
REGISTER OF PROBATE - Middlesex District - Vote for One									
Thomas J. Larkin	347	287	258	360	251	336	307	302	2448
Joseph L.Bradley	173	171	144	171	143	196	175	145	1318
Blanks	212	143	142	224	151	208	195	175	1450
TOTAL	732	601	544	755	545	740	677	622	5216

	Pr 1	Pr 2	Pr 3	Pr 4	Pr 5	Pr 6	Pr 7	Pr 8	Total
COUNTY TREASURER - Middlesex District - Vote for One									
James E.Fahey,Jr.	230	171	159	213	155	212	192	178	1510
Warren McManus	104	100	81	111	92	112	108	109	817
Kevin J. Palmer	173	164	138	157	124	182	153	130	1221
Blanks	225	166	166	274	174	234	224	205	1668
TOTAL	732	601	544	755	545	740	677	622	5216
COUNTY COMMISSIONER - Middlesex County - Vote for One									
Bill Schmidt	147	100	84	145	91	134	105	116	922
B.J. A. Collins	143	127	124	108	115	122	114	126	979
W. J. Eckland	46	33	35	24	28	43	44	34	287
F. X. Flaherty	118	137	112	157	123	157	134	106	1044
W. S. McFarland	63	55	41	66	37	70	82	56	470
Blanks	215	149	148	255	151	214	198	184	1514
TOTAL	732	601	544	755	545	740	677	622	5216

BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

	Pr 1	Pr 2	Pr 3	Pr 4	Pr 5	Pr 6	Pr 7	Pr 8	Total
SENATOR IN CONGRESS - Vote for One									
Daniel W. Daly	124	83	110	137	109	113	138	135	949
Jim Rappaport	326	205	252	421	244	326	331	384	2489
Blanks	51	33	51	70	48	58	39	67	417
TOTAL	501	321	413	628	401	497	508	586	3855
GOVERNOR - Vote for One									
Steven D. Pierce	174	115	154	212	148	157	156	205	1321
William F. Weld	312	200	253	402	243	333	342	368	2453
Blanks	15	6	6	14	10	7	10	13	81
TOTAL	501	321	413	628	401	497	508	586	3855
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR - Vote for One									
A.Paul Cellucci	242	127	207	295	159	214	240	280	1764
P. G. Torkildsen	211	157	165	267	188	228	217	249	1682
Blanks	48	37	41	66	54	55	51	57	409
TOTAL	501	321	413	628	401	497	508	586	3855

	Pr 1	Pr 2	Pr 3	Pr 4	Pr 5	Pr 6	Pr 7	Pr 8	Total
ATTORNEY GENERAL - Vote for One									
Guy A. Carbone	239	140	171	262	169	195	202	265	1643
William C.Sawyer	205	135	188	265	163	226	227	230	1639
Blanks	57	46	54	101	69	76	79	91	573
TOTAL	501	321	413	628	401	497	508	586	3855
SECRETARY OF STATE - Vote for One									
Paul McCarthy	384	255	315	485	308	392	379	453	2971
Blanks	117	66	98	143	93	105	129	133	884
TOTAL	501	321	413	628	401	497	508	586	3855
TREASURER - Vote for One									
Joseph D. Malone	425	270	350	536	336	422	421	478	3238
Blanks	76	51	63	92	65	75	87	108	617
TOTAL	501	321	413	628	401	497	508	586	3855
AUDITOR - Vote for One									
Douglas J.Murray	367	238	305	450	290	379	361	436	2826
Blanks	134	83	108	178	111	118	147	150	1029
TOTAL	501	321	413	628	401	497	508	586	3855
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS - 7th District - Vote for One									
No Candidate									
Blanks	501	321	413	628	399	497	508	586	3853
Rebecca A. Selzer					2				2
TOTAL	501	321	413	628	401	497	508	586	3855
COUNCILLOR - 5th District - Vote for One									
John P. Harris	358						370	423	1151
Blanks	143						138	163	444
TOTAL	501						508	586	1595
COUNCILLOR - 6th District - Vote for One									
V. J. Manganello		223	282	414	274	359			1552
Blanks		98	131	214	127	138			708
TOTAL		321	413	628	401	497			2260
SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT - 1st Essex & Middlesex District- Vote for One									
Robert C. Buell	371						384	437	1192
Blanks	130						124	149	403
TOTAL	501						508	586	1595

	Pr 1	Pr 2	Pr 3	Pr 4	Pr 5	Pr 6	Pr 7	Pr 8	Total
SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT - 3rd Middlesex District - Vote for One									
Brian P. Keating		82	111	123	100	101			517
Richard R. Tisei		205	259	447	273	338			1522
Blanks		34	43	58	28	58			221
TOTAL		321	413	628	401	497			2260
REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT - 21st Middlesex District - Vote for One									
R. C. Krekorian	330	200	281	471	248	361	374	381	2646
P.H."Nick"O'Brien	150	102	110	125	130	108	114	190	1029
Blanks	21	19	22	32	23	28	20	15	180
TOTAL	501	321	413	628	401	497	508	586	3855
DISTRICT ATTORNEY - Northern District - Vote for One									
No Candidate									
Blanks	501	321	413	628	401	497	508	586	3855
REGISTER OF PROBATE - Middlesex District - Vote for One									
Donna M. Lambert	364	241	298	445	283	358	369	434	2792
Blanks	137	80	115	183	117	139	139	152	1063
TOTAL	501	321	413	628	401	497	508	586	3855
COUNTY TREASURER - Middlesex District - Vote for One									
Walter Fish	359	232	299	433	290	363	363	426	2765
Blanks	142	89	114	195	111	134	145	160	1090
TOTAL	501	321	413	628	401	497	508	586	3855
COUNTY COMMISSIONER - Middlesex County - Vote for One									
No Candidate									
Blanks	501	321	413	628	392	497	508	586	3846
M. DeBethencourt					9				9
TOTAL	501	321	413	628	401	497	508	586	3855

The votes were publicly announced in open meeting, locked in ballot cases and placed by the Town Clerk in the vault for safe keeping.
Voted to adjourn 11:30 P.M., September 18, 1990.

A true copy. Attest:

Catherine A. Quimby
Town Clerk

STATE ELECTION

November 6, 1990

Pursuant to the Warrant and the Constable's Return thereon, a State Election was held at the time and places specified in the Warrant, and was called to order by the Wardens in the precincts as follows:

Precinct 1.	J. Warren Killam School	Barbara I. Takach
Precinct 2.	J. Warren Killam School	Eleanor M. Brown
Precinct 3.	Joshua Eaton School	Carol Beckwith
Precinct 4.	Joshua Eaton School	Lawrence Drew
Precinct 5.	Alice M. Barrows School	Mary Andreola
Precinct 6.	Alice M. Barrows School	Louis R. Gardner
Precinct 7.	Birch Meadow School	Henry A. Murphy, Jr.
Precinct 8.	Birch Meadow School	Kenneth C. Latham

who then partially read the Warrant, when on motion of Gloria Hulse, Precinct 1; Anthony Rickley, Precinct 2; Rosemond E. Robinson, Precinct 3; Dorothy Somers, Precinct 4; Olive L. Thompson, Precinct 5; Elizabeth Hancock, Precinct 6; Remo G. Vinci, Precinct 7; and Rita Shaw, Precinct 8, it was voted to dispense with the further reading of the Warrant, except the Constable's Return, which was then read by the respective Wardens.

The ballot boxes were examined by the Wardens and each found to be empty and all registered 000.

The polls were then declared open at 7:00 A.M. and were closed at 8:00 P.M. with the following results:

for a total of 12,518 votes as follows:

	Pr 1	Pr 2	Pr 3	Pr 4	Pr 5	Pr 6	Pr 7	Pr 8	Total
SENATOR IN CONGRESS - Vote for One									
John F. Kerry(D)	826	697	737	894	744	887	838	837	6460
Jim Rappaport(R)	784	592	635	797	547	673	713	745	5486
Blanks	69	65	63	71	63	95	57	84	567
Howard C. Wreith,III	2								2
William A. Hurst				1					1
Mary Mundger				2					2
TOTAL	1681	1354	1435	1765	1354	1655	1608	1666	12518

	Pr 1	Pr 2	Pr 3	Pr 4	Pr 5	Pr 6	Pr 7	Pr 8	Total
GOVERNOR/LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR - Vote for One									
Silber/Clapprood(D)	624	601	512	697	585	655	667	619	4960
Weld/Cellucci(R)	1000	694	832	1001	702	904	875	954	6962
Umina/DeBerry(I)	34	33	48	23	35	35	38	38	284
Blanks	23	24	42	44	32	61	28	55	309
Dotty Stevens		1							1
Steven J. Pierce			1						1
Jack Flood		1							1
TOTAL	1681	1354	1435	1765	1354	1655	1608	1666	12518
ATTORNEY GENERAL - Vote for One									
L.S. Harshbarger(D)	969	808	799	1037	818	993	970	951	7345
William C.Sawyer(R)	646	490	571	643	481	589	570	628	4618
Blanks	66	56	65	85	55	73	68	87	555
TOTAL	1681	1354	1435	1765	1354	1655	1608	1666	12518
SECRETARY OF STATE - Vote for One									
M.J. Connolly(D)	518	478	439	570	475	592	534	513	4119
Paul McCarthy(R)	806	594	658	809	611	713	732	793	5716
B.F. Ahearn(I)	244	202	228	250	186	248	235	225	1818
Blanks	113	80	110	136	82	102	107	135	865
TOTAL	1681	1354	1435	1765	1354	1655	1608	1666	12518
TREASURER - Vote for One									
William F.Galvin(D)	388	379	356	368	349	393	376	365	2974
Joseph D.Malone(R)	1137	825	911	1220	857	1082	1058	1151	8241
C. David Nash(I)	84	90	106	89	84	97	95	72	717
Blanks	72	60	62	87	63	83	79	78	584
George Keverian					1				1
Bernice M. Walker				1					1
TOTAL	1681	1354	1435	1765	1354	1655	1608	1666	12518
AUDITOR - Vote for One									
A.Joseph DeNucci(D)	724	605	591	774	604	799	696	696	5489
Douglas J.Murray(R)	728	533	613	724	541	615	661	708	5123
Steven K.Sherman(I)	106	117	120	110	96	107	119	92	867
Blanks	123	99	111	157	113	134	132	170	1039
TOTAL	1681	1354	1435	1765	1354	1655	1608	1666	12518
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS - 7th District - Vote for One									
Edward J.Markey(D)	1041	920	899	1087	903	1084	1056	1065	8055
Blanks	640	434	536	678	451	571	552	601	4463
TOTAL	1681	1354	1435	1765	1354	1655	1608	1666	12518

	Pr 1	Pr 2	Pr 3	Pr 4	Pr 5	Pr 6	Pr 7	Pr 8	Total
COUNCILLOR - 5th District - Vote for One									
John F.Markey(D)	564						555	560	1679
John P. Harris(R)	931						841	867	2639
Blanks	186						212	239	637
TOTAL	1681						1608	1666	4955
COUNCILLOR - 6th District - Vote for One									
Daniel G. Hurley		425	428	499	439	519			2310
V.J. Manganello(R)		511	583	700	497	622			2913
Robert W.Collins(I)		219	205	240	182	235			1081
Blanks		199	219	326	236	279			1259
TOTAL		1354	1435	1765	1354	1655			7563
SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT - 1st Essex & Middlesex District- Vote for One									
Robert C.Buell(R)	918						812	863	2593
P.L. Skibbee(D)	577						617	612	1806
Blanks	186						179	191	556
TOTAL	1681						1608	1666	4955
SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT - 3rd Middlesex District - Vote for One									
Michael E.Festa(D)		392	373	430	383	470			2048
Richard R.Tisei(R)		794	849	1123	784	955			4505
Paul J. Maisano(I)		113	129	103	100	114			559
Blanks		55	84	109	87	116			451
TOTAL		1354	1435	1765	1354	1655			7563
REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT - 21st Middlesex District - Vote for One									
R.C. Krekorian(R)	895	645	756	919	660	795	754	883	6307
Sandra J.Trainor(D)	732	673	618	784	647	789	823	719	5785
Blanks	54	36	61	62	47	71	31	64	426
TOTAL	1681	1354	1435	1765	1354	1655	1608	1666	12518
DISTRICT ATTORNEY - Northern District - Vote for One									
Thomas F. Reilly	982	879	877	1008	857	1007	985	994	7589
Blanks	698	475	558	757	497	648	623	672	4928
Joseph Mackey	1								1
TOTAL	1681	1354	1435	1765	1354	1655	1608	1666	12518
REGISTER OF PROBATE - Middlesex District - Vote for One									
Donna M.Lambert(R)	924	690	748	932	687	844	856	892	6573
Thomas J.Larkin(D)	526	494	474	532	470	558	510	506	4070
Blanks	231	170	213	301	197	253	242	268	1875
TOTAL	1681	1354	1435	1765	1354	1655	1608	1666	12518

	Pr 1	Pr 2	Pr 3	Pr 4	Pr 5	Pr 6	Pr 7	Pr 8	Total
COUNTY TREASURER - Middlesex District - Vote for One									
J.E. Fahey,Jr.(D)	505	479	468	525	481	555	498	502	4013
Walter Fish(R)	926	699	753	929	644	825	862	886	6524
Blanks	250	176	214	311	229	275	248	278	1981
TOTAL	1681	1354	1435	1765	1354	1655	1608	1666	12518
COUNTY COMMISSIONER - Middlesex County - Vote for One									
F.X. Flaherty(D)	940	850	841	957	812	969	924	934	7227
Blanks	741	504	594	808	542	686	684	732	5291
TOTAL	1681	1354	1435	1765	1354	1655	1608	1666	12518

And to vote yes or no on the following questions:

QUESTION 1									
Yes	1310	1067	1132	1451	1044	1290	1313	1295	9902
No	299	233	236	226	248	259	225	265	1991
Blanks	72	54	67	88	62	106	70	106	625
TOTAL	1681	1354	1435	1765	1354	1655	1608	1666	12518
QUESTION 2									
Yes	748	631	675	734	604	699	690	700	5481
No	887	692	723	980	718	904	879	915	6698
Blanks	46	31	37	51	32	52	39	51	339
TOTAL	1681	1354	1435	1765	1354	1655	1608	1666	12518
QUESTION 3									
Yes	852	602	664	814	602	712	694	767	5707
No	799	731	743	924	731	897	887	860	6572
Blanks	30	21	28	27	21	46	27	39	239
TOTAL	1681	1354	1435	1765	1354	1655	1608	1666	12518
QUESTION 4									
Yes	841	655	737	836	686	812	748	803	6118
No	725	621	606	832	584	732	756	736	5592
Blanks	115	78	92	97	84	111	104	127	808
TOTAL	1681	1354	1435	1765	1354	1655	1608	1666	12518

	Pr 1	Pr 2	Pr 3	Pr 4	Pr 5	Pr 6	Pr 7	Pr 8	Total
QUESTION 5									
Yes	1087	836	908	1069	824	988	976	1006	7694
No	502	443	454	605	466	567	549	547	4133
Blanks	92	75	73	91	64	100	83	113	691
TOTAL	1681	1354	1435	1765	1354	1655	1608	1666	12518
QUESTION 6									
Yes	826	632	734	800	687	840	752	814	6085
No	674	589	531	783	539	652	699	681	5148
Blanks	181	133	170	182	128	163	157	171	1285
TOTAL	1681	1354	1435	1765	1354	1655	1608	1666	12518
QUESTION 7									
Yes	720	519	567	742	488	667	605	676	4984
No	660	603	607	675	589	647	676	642	5109
Blanks	301	232	251	348	277	341	327	348	2425
TOTAL	1681	1354	1435	1765	1354	1655	1608	1666	12518

The votes were publicly announced in open meeting, locked in ballot cases and placed by the Town Clerk in the vault for safe keeping.

Voted to adjourn 11:30 P.M., November 6, 1990.

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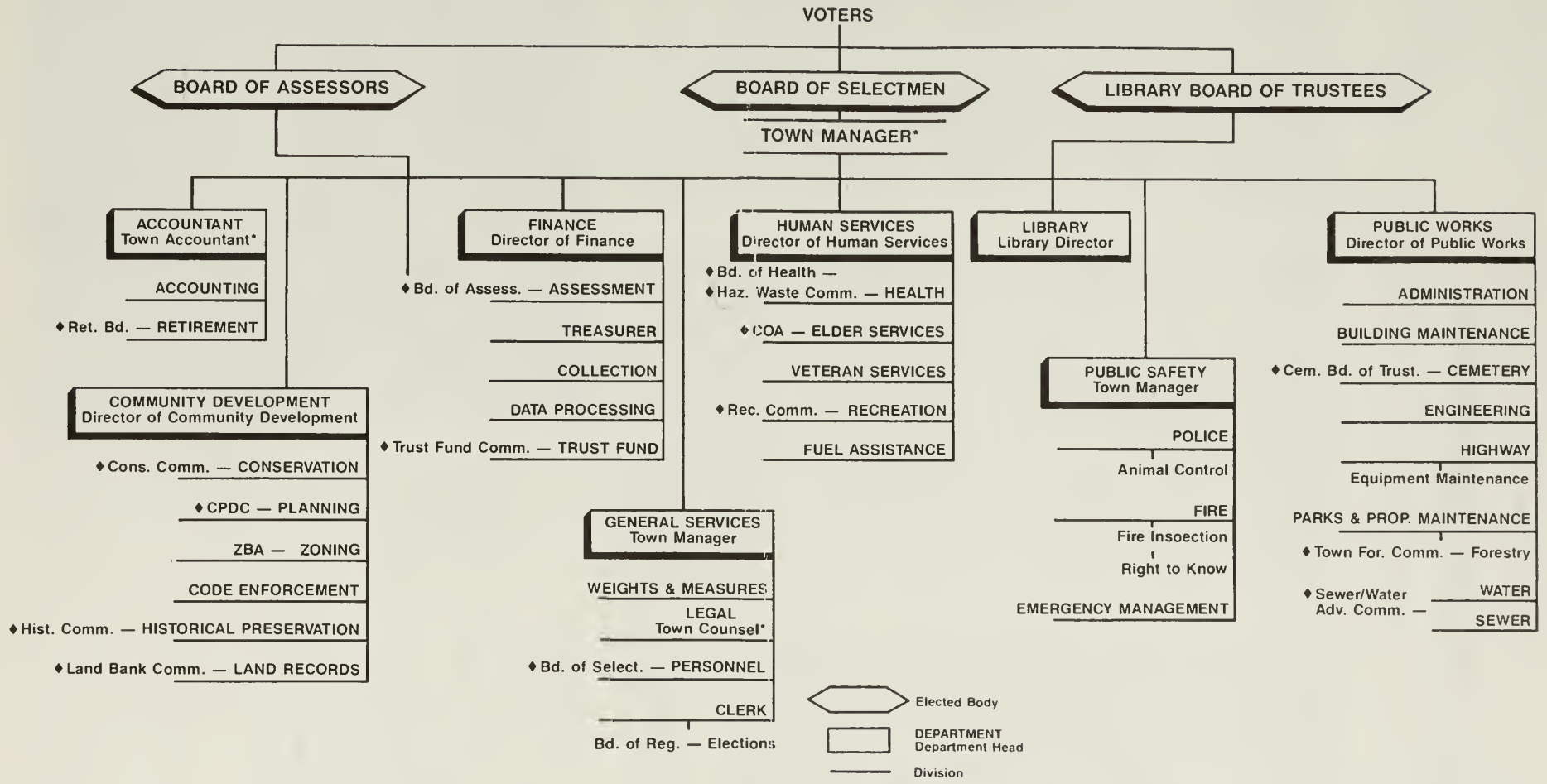
Catherine A. Quimby
Town Clerk

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS
PLAN OF ORGANIZATION — EXECUTIVE BRANCH



♦ — Policymaking body which may exercise authority per statute or other regulations, and which is appointed in accordance with state law, charter, or other regulation. The bodies determine policy under the general direction of the Board of Selectmen. Administrative direction is provided by Department Head, or the Town Manager in absence of Department Head.

*Appointed by Board of Selectmen Per Charter

Approved by Town Meeting — November 19, 1987

350th ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE

350th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION STEERING COMMITTEE

During 1990, Reading's 350th Anniversary Steering Committee moved forward in its planning for a celebration in 1994. The plans have evolved somewhat from the first proposal as the Committee has received ideas from townspeople and data from celebrations in other communities. This trend will likely continue throughout the coming months and years. The following schedule comprises the current plan:

November, 1993: Reading's Fair. A pre-celebration event with an exhibit of other "Readings" of the world, a preview of the celebration, and the release of a new history book.

January-April, 1994: A series of individual events of undetermined nature to be sponsored by town organizations. This will possibly include concerts, dances, field days and exhibits.

May, 1994: Grand Finale Weekend, or Week, to include a ball, an outdoor block party, a "first night" type of event called "Uptown Reading," historical tours, a parade, a concert and picnic, a "Party In The Park," and special church services.

In conjunction with these plans, several sub-committees have been established to investigate the feasibility and organization of a parade; to formulate plans for the publishing of a history book; and to plan an anniversary ball.

To facilitate fund raising activities the Committee authorized "Reading's 350th, Inc," a non-profit corporation, to use the anniversary logo, designed by Judith Hunt Gabriel, on the front of tee shirts that went on sale during this past holiday season. The tee shirt sales are in addition to the postcard project already undertaken by that organization.

The committee also authorized the corporation to use the logo during the "Reading Community Carnival" in July. Using a gazebo borrowed from a local lumber company as a display booth, the Corporation distributed Reading's 350th balloons, postcards and baseball caps, and sponsored a barbershop quartet concert.

As the Committee moves into its second full year, it has adopted a long-range plan, which maps out its activities on a high level through to 1994. The Committee plans to use this document to guide its planning and execution during its tenure.

Submitted by
Alan E. Foulds, Chairman

Photo by Don Young, courtesy of
The Reading Chronicle

"Carolyn Eddy of Eugene's and Paul Sweeney of 350th Committee with logo T-shirt for sale"

LIBRARY

As 1990 comes to a close, the Board of Library Trustees peruse the year and commend the library staff for their outstanding work in spite of increasing strain due to overwhelming budget constraints. Materials and services to library patrons have been cut over this past year; yet the library staff continues to extend itself to its fullest.

Hours of library operation have decreased by six hours per week, while demand has increased as patrons are using library services more than ever before. In fact, the Reading Public Library experienced one of its busiest summers with the "MysteREAD" Summer Reading Club for elementary school children, breaking all previous records with 903 readers and 395 listeners, a total increase of 150 children over last year and a 22% increase since 1988. Fifty young adults attended the last raffle for the "Megabooks" Young Adult Summer Reading Program, while 165 middle school students read over 1,500 books during the program. Both reading clubs have contributed to high levels of library use. Monday, July 9 recorded the highest daily activity level ever with 2269 books circulating. Close to 500 children attended preschool films this summer, 672 children attended summer reading programs, and 181 children enjoyed summer story hour. Circulation continues to be on the rise. In fact, FY89 recorded the highest circulation in the history of the Library - close to 300,000 items. Reference statistics indicate that more patrons are using the reference area and asking more questions than ever before. In February the children's story hour was expanded due to great demand.

More time is being spent seeking private and public funding for the Library's most essential programs. Renee Olson received two Arts Council lottery grants; one to purchase archival supplies for the Local History Room and one to fund a storyteller to visit four senior citizen residences. Furthermore, Fund Raising Group 80-10-10 raised $40,000 and philanthropist, Arnold Berger matched it with $4,000 to the Library. This money was used to reinstate the children's, young adult's, and large print book budgets to their FY90 level. The Reading Public Library Trustees are very grateful to the many patrons who have chosen to support the library with private donations and/or by volunteering their time. During these financially difficult times, the Library Staff and Trustees treasure these volunteers and donors. Two outstanding women, Miriam Barclay and Eleanor Bishop, who have volunteered their time to the Town of Reading as well as the Reading Public Library, were acknowledged when the Local History Room of the Library was named in their honor for their dedication to the preservation of Reading's history.

Our outstanding staff continues to grow professionally, undertake new roles, and initiate wonderful programs to make our Library accessible to all Reading citizens. Renee Olson writes a column entitled "Bibliobits" about library services for the Reading Chronicle. She is also the editor of the New England Library Association Newsletter. Susan Flannery is the current president of the Reading Rotary Club. Nancy Aberman conducted a refresher course in business reference sources for the reference staff. Twenty-two staff members participated in at least one continuing education program. In addition, Renee Olson and Doreen Bolnick wrote a brochure about Library services. Funded by the Friends of the Reading Public Library and the Newcomers and Neighbors Club, the brochure will help new patrons become familiar with the many available library resources.

Despite the budgetary constraints of 1990, the Reading Public Library staff offers the very best materials and services that time and money allow. The Reading Public Library Trustees applaud the staff for their perseverance and their excellent work in such difficult fiscal times.

Submitted by:
Board of Library Trustees:
Dr. Christine Redford, Chairperson
Ms. Elia Marnik, Vice-Chairperson
Ms. Carol Beckwith, Secretary
Mr. Robert Fields
Ms. Cherrie Dubois
Mr. William Diamond

Staff of the Reading Public Library:
Director
Susan Flannery
Assistant Director
Diane Young
Administrative Secretary
Karen Brown
Head of Technical Services
Beverly Thompson
Head of Circulation Division
Dorothy Alworth
Head of Reference Division
Renee Olson
Community Information Librarian
Doreen Bolnick
Young Adult Librarian
Nancy Aberman
Outreach Librarian
Sally McDonald
Head of Children's Services
Corinne Fisher
Children's Librarian
Brenda Wettergreen

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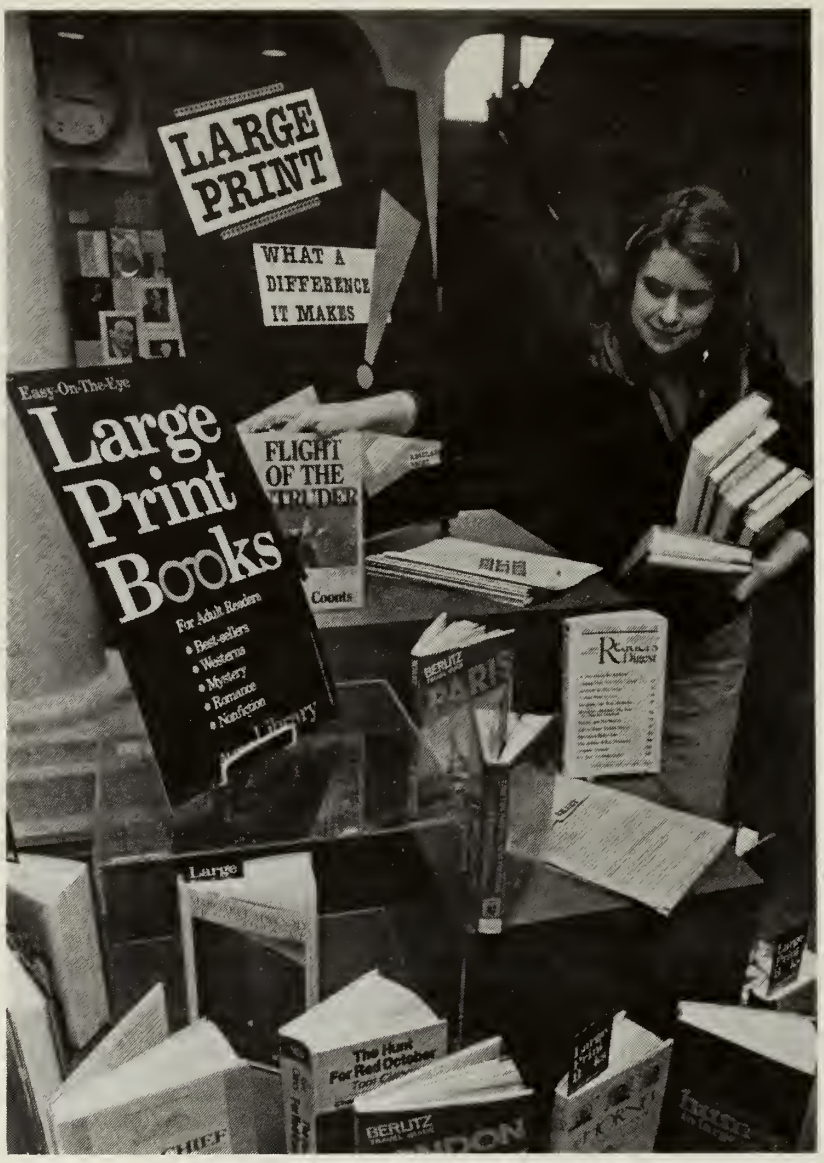
LIBRARY

Library Associates:	Theresa Bond
	Michael Colford
	Mary McIntire
	Elaine Singleton
Senior Technician	Irene Sunbury
Technicians:	Madeleine Gillis
	Allison DaSilva
	Mary Jo Nordstrom
	Eileen O'Malley
Library Aide:	Nicola Carello
Pages:	Colleen Sumner
	David Bastiani
	Laurie Conwell
	Christopher DeAngelis
	William Dresser
	Michelle Kingery

LIBRARY STATISTICS FY1990

Registered borrowers as of June 30, 1990: 18,070

Circulation:	
Books	286,727
A-V materials	13,257
Total number of items circulated:	299,984
Circulation per capita:	14.13
Programs:	
Number of programs	319
Attendance:	10,962
Services:	
Reference questions answered:	24,903
Materials acquired through Inter-Library loan:	1792
Collection:	
Books	100,202
Records	5,368
Cassettes	1,610
Compact Discs	242
Children's kits	119
	107,541
Income to Town:	
Fines, fees	$15,465
Photocopier	8,536
	$24,001



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"Reference Librarian Renee Olson with large print book display"

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POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Reading Police Department consisted of thirty-seven members at the end of December, 1990: The Chief, two Lieutenants, one Lieutenant Detective, one Sergeant Detective, five Sergeants, three Detectives, one Safety Officer, one Armorer, and twenty-two Patrol Officers.

The Police-Fire Central Dispatch renovations began in January, consisting of structural changes and the installation of new electronic equipment. New surveillance cameras were installed and a new computerized alarm system was installed to monitor alarms. The new dispatch area was in full operation by the second week of May, and seven dispatchers were hired, four full time and three part-time, to carry out the dispatch duties.

Intensive training for all officers of the Department continues, and includes one week training sessions at the Regional Police Institute in Tewksbury, certification in First Aid and First Responder, training in the use of rifles and shotguns, and day and night shootings at the Police Range. The reserves graduated from their sixteen week (one day a week) training program at NERPI.

By the end of June, four Patrolmen were laid off due to budgetary restraints: Officer John McKenna, Officer Kevin Cryts, Officer Robert MacKay, and Officer Mark Tulipano. Three officers were hired by the MBTA and Off. Robert MacKay was rehired by the Town of Reading. Cadet and Dispatcher Matt Edson took a position at the Concord Police Department in New Hampshire.

Photo by Don Young, courtesy of The Reading Chronicle

"Ptl. Larry Frederick (l) and Sgt. Richard Robbins (r) display home security locks at neighborhood crime watch meeting"

The Department continues in the process of being accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Law Enforcement Agencies. Accreditation will insure that the Department is up-to-date and professional.

The Department once again actively supported the Special Olympics Torch Run in 1990 and is assisting in the planning of the Torch Run in 1991.

The Special Operation Unit of the Northeastern Massachusetts Law Enforcement Council Tactical Police Force, commanded by Lieutenant Robert J. Silva, was used on several occasions this year.

The Honor Guard has attended many functions this past year and continues to be well received wherever it appears.

The members of the Police Reserve have continued their excellent work during the past year handling traffic duty at the various churches and serving at special occasions. Lt. Michael Cloonan is in charge of the Reserves and is responsible for their training in the use of firearms. These men donate

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their time and effort without monetary compensation and deserve the thanks and appreciation of all citizens.

Also complementing our regular Police Department is our force of School Traffic Officers under the direction of Safety Officer Joseph R. Veno. These Officers, who supervise the crossing of children on their way to and from school at various locations about town, have proved to be devoted to their duties and are a great asset to the town. Any citizen who would like to join us as a School Crossing Officer is urged to contact Safety Officer Joseph Veno.

We have continued our involvement with the Governors Alliance Against Drugs Program, which was initiated in 1986 to bring awareness of the problems of drugs with our school-age children.

Donations were made by citizens and businesses throughout the community to purchase the new 9mm semi-automatic guns for the department. Armorer William Arakelian, Officer Paul Peoples, and Lt. Michael Cloonan attended firearms courses in preparation for the change-over and they, in turn, gave a three day course to the officers of the department. All Reading Officers have completed the course and have been issued their 9mm guns.

Three new cruisers were delivered and were equipped for duty in the Department.

Marks were received from the Sergeants' exam taken earlier this year. Five candidates from the department took the Sergeants exam.

The Reading Police Officers donated their time and efforts to provide security during construction of "Imagination Station." With the combined efforts of the residents and Police Department, the playground was completed in 5 days.

In November, a new kind of "in house" training began with the installation of LETN, the Law Enforcement Television Network. This service brings closed circuit police programming into the station through the TV, 24 hours a day, 5 days a week.

In November, Chief Marchand was named the recipient of the "1990 Roland Kinlock Award" given annually by the Massachusetts Juvenile Police Officers Association. This award was established by the MJPOA in honor of the former president of the organization, Roland Kinlock, a Methuen Police Officer, who contributed a lot of time to the youth of Methuen.

The Department is indebted to Mr. Edwin Ciampa, a resident of Reading and owner of Crest Buick of Woburn, for donating a Buick sedan for the use of our Safety Officer.

The following are the arrests and services performed:

Arrests	415
Persons held in Protective Custody	110
Motor Vehicle Violations	4,887
Parking Violations	2,050
Juveniles Apprehended	12
Special Investigations	362
Auto Accidents Investigated	784

Fees Collected

Revolver Permits	$2,975
Firearm Identification Cards	$282
Police Reports Copied	$1,916
Parking Fines	$36,645
Court Fines	$169,153

Motorized Equipment

1 1989 Ford sedan - Chief's car

3 1991 Ford sedans - Cruisers

1 1989 Ford sedan - Cruiser

2 1988 Ford sedans - Cruisers

1 1988 Chev. van - A.C.O.

1 1987 Ford sedan - Cruiser

1 1987 Chev. van - Det. Division

2 1985 Ford sedans - Cruisers

1 1983 Ford Sedan - Cruiser

1 1991 Buick sedan - Safety Car

1 Ford Aerostar - Animal Control Van

I would like to thank the Board of Selectmen, Town Meeting members, and especially the citizens of the town, for the support they have shown their Police Department during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
Edward M. Marchand
Chief of Police

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POLICE DEPARTMENT ROSTER

CHIEF Edward W. Marchand

LIEUTENANTS
Robert J. Silva,Executive Officer
N. Kevin Patterson
Michael P. Cloonan

SERGEANT-DETECTIVE
William F. Keefe

SERGEANTS
Bruce F. Russell
Richard W. Robbins
Patrick M. O'Brien
Peter C. Garchinsky
Mark J. O'Brien

PATROLMAN-DETECTIVES
David E. Saunders
William A. Pacunas
Robert F. Flynn

SAFETY OFFICER
Joseph R. Veno

ARMORER
William E. Arakelian

PATROL OFFICERS
Herbert G. Perry
Paul G. Peoples
Walter R. Franklin
Larry E. Frederick
Robert J. Moreschi
Charles J. Lentini
Pasquale M. Iapicca
David M. Stamatis
Michael D. Saunders
James P. Collins
John T. Kyle
Richard L. Nelson
Dennis F. Farrell
Hobart E. Nelson
Peter R. O'Brien
Richard DelRossi
James W. Cormier
Christopher J. Voegelin
Leone M. Sullivan
David M. Richards
Anthony F. Caturello
Robert MacKay, Jr.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

The Reading Emergency Management Agency has continued to meet

Photo by Don Young, courtesy of The Reading Chronicle

" Open House at the new Fire Headquarters Building"

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Federal and State requirements to remain eligible for disaster and relief assistance.

The Town's Comprehensive Emergency Management plan was again reviewed and revised. An emergency response plan has been implemented and training accomplished to assure compliance with Federal and State standards.

Through the efforts of volunteers and the able assistance of John Pineau we continue to improve our emergency radio capability. The lack of Federal and State funding assistance for normal operations continues to inhibit new developments and growth.

Respectfully submitted,
Leonard J. Redfern
Emergency Management Director

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

MANUAL FORCE: The authorized permanent Force consists of the Chief, 4 Captains, 4 Lieutenants, 35 Firefighters.

APPARATUS:

Engine #1	- 1973 Maxim
Engine #2	- 1979 Maxim
Engine #3	- 1987 Pirsch
Engine #4	- 1982 Maxim
Ladder	- 1982 Duplex-LaFrance
Ambulance, R1	- 1987 Ford Frontline
Ambulance, R2	- 1982 Chevrolet
Fire Signal Truck	- 1975 International
Chief's Car	- 1988 Ford
Fire Preven. Car	- 1984 Ford
Pick-up Truck	- 1980 Ford

SERVICE RECORD:

265	Bell Alarms, 13 were false and 94 accidental
452	Still and Telephone Alarms
1140	Service Calls
1137	Ambulance Runs

PERMITS ISSUED:

16	Blasting
157	Power Oil Burners
279	Home Fire Alarm Systems
862	Ambulance runs were billed

Total fees turned over to the Town were $87,513.00

The major story of the year was the completion of the new Fire Department Headquarters at 757 Main Street. The station was officially activated on August 15, 1990, slightly ahead of the initial estimate. The official dedication and open house was held on October 15, 1990, with many townspeople in attendance. Due to the magnitude of the move and the change and effect on our entire operation, there have been many minor problems to work out and solve. Fortunately they have been of a minor nature and the station and its location is proving to be an asset to our operation and in many ways has exceeded our expectations. This has been the most welcome and dramatic change in a year that saw many other changes both within the department and the Town.

Earlier in the year, as part of the Fire Department building project, the construction and outfitting of the new Central Dispatch Office at the Police Station went on line. This made for another major change in our operation and has proven to be the most difficult to reconcile.

For the first time in the history of the department we were forced to take a major first line piece of apparatus out of service due to insufficient funds to staff it. While layoffs were avoided the attrition factor and cuts in overtime caused us to remove Ladder 1 from service for a period of four months. The absence of this essential piece of equipment and the manpower assigned to it placed a much greater burden on the remaining firefighters and exposed them and the Town to a higher level of risk than ever before. Unfortunately this now looks to be a scenario that will continue for the foreseeable future and considering the level of risk is unacceptable.

The trend of less major fires and substantially more E.M.S. and service calls continued this year and again the maintenance and supply costs of this experience exceeded the budgeted amounts.

The capital equipment replacement program has been stalled and deferred. We now have three worn out pieces of equipment - Ladder 1, Rescue 2, and the Signal Truck. These are costly and difficult to maintain. Replacement costs continue to escalate yearly.

In addition to the elimination of public education and school visitation programs, we were unable to continue our Fire Prevention Inspection Program this year. We were also limited in conducting proper mandated inspections. Our Fire Prevention Program is now practically non-existent, our suppression capability is seriously impaired and our equipment is not

reliable. This is a very difficult position for the department to be in.

We have been able to continue a reasonable level of E.M.S. and First Responder training in-house and in-service. In addition this year with the generous assistance of private industry and outside public agencies we were able to train all of our personnel to mandated federal standards for handling hazardous material incidents at the local level.

On a regional level, the Metrofire District has gone on line with the first operational hazardous material response unit in the Commonwealth. This is an extremely valuable resource and is indicative of the responsible and progressive direction that Metrofire is now taking. All Metropolitan Fire Departments are feeling the effects of inadequate budgets which makes Metrofire mutual aid membership essential. The Metrofire Chiefs are embarking on a long range ten year plan to coordinate and regionalize specialized teams, units and training that would otherwise be unaffordable for most communities.

The Fire Alarm Division continued to maintain the Municipal System in excellent condition. As part of the Fire Station and Dispatch program all of the critical underground cable connecting the two fire stations, dispatch and the business district was replaced. This was long overdue and was an important long term improvement. Again, when fire prevention and suppression is being seriously compromised, early warning and notification becomes absolutely essential. Personnel working the Fire Alarm Division can take justifiable pride and satisfaction in their accomplishments and efforts this year. The vehicle, however, is long overdue for replacement and is now on limited borrowed time.

The volunteer members of the Auxiliary Fire Service gave generously of their time and their efforts are valued and appreciated.

I would like to thank all Town Officers, Boards and Departments for their cooperation and support with a special thanks this year to Tony Fletcher and the Department of Public Works for their invaluable assistance and advice in the planning and construction of the new Fire Station.

A special thanks to the citizens of Reading for their continued support and to all members of the department for their dedication and performance during these difficult and changing times.

Respectfully submitted,
Leonard J. Redfern
Chief of Department

FIRE DEPARTMENT ROSTER

CHIEF — Leonard J. Redfern

CAPTAINS
#James W. Sharkey
Donald L. Wood
Kenneth M. Campbell
Gordon E. Sargent
Stephen A. Ballou*

LIEUTENANTS
William F. Campbell
John T. Mooney
Gregory J. Burns
Paul D. Jackson*

FIREFIGHTERS
Peter R. Vincent
Robert F. O'Brien
Verlon M. Curtis
Anthony J. Gentile
Paul D. Murphy
James A. Stevenson
Roger C. Quimby
Arthur H. Vars
Philip G. Dole
+Robert F. Campbell
Stephen M. Shea
David C. Bishop
Domenic D. Ricci
Francis P. Driscoll
Philip Boisvert
Matthew McSheehy
Arthur A. King, Jr.
Daniel W. Cahoon
Kevin F. Kelly
Stephen W. Lewko
Richard A. Puopolo
Peter L. Marchetti
Michael K. Holmes
Perry M. Raffi
David M. Roy
Paul F. Guarino
Michael J. Blanchard
Mark F. Dwyer
Robert McCarthy
Patrick Wallace
Donald E. Stead
Bryan D. Ryan
David T. Ballou
Stephen Pelrine
Paul F. MacKinnon

SECRETARY — Doris M. McNeil
MECHANIC — Wayne J. Bell

Retired
+Resigned
*Appointed to fill vacancy

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REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

In the year 1990 the Town Hall remodeling project was completed and dedicated in February. The complex was well received by the general public as well as the employees of the Town. Town Hall continued to function in spite of all the nuisance and disruption of construction.

Also completed in 1990 was the Reading Fire Headquarters building. Dedication was held October 1990 and was well attended by Readings citizens.

The Department applied for and receive a matching grant of approximately $500,000 to aid in the construction of a high-tech filtering and aeration system at the Louanis Water Treatment Plant. The project was awarded to R.H. White Company and work is underway. Completion is expected in June 1991.

Summer and fall of this year produced a number of extremely heavy rainfalls causing Town wide flooding requiring extensive reworking of open drains. The Department is working with the Conservation Commission to develop a generic approval form so that Town forces can more readily respond to flash flooding problems and to develop an ongoing ditch maintenance program.

ENGINEERING DIVISION

The Engineering Division furnishes engineering services to all other Town Departments and supervises all Town construction projects, prepares prebid cost estimates, specifications and requests for construction services. The Division works closely with Community Planning and Development Commission and the Conservation Commission in assisting and advising the Commissions on subdivision matters. Review and inspection of subdivisions requires 32% of the Engineering Divisions time.

The following subdivisions were reviewed or are under construction:
Sanborn Village IV
Stagecoach Heights
Fairwood Acres
Davis Lane
Emerald Drive
Duck Road
Batchelder Estates
Ashley Woods
American Trade Park
Family Circle
Birch Meadow Estates
Kurchian Lane
Stone Well Road
Carriage Estates

The Engineering Division has been instrumental in acting as a liaison and/or designer on the following projects:

- MBTA Depot Project
- New sidewalk construction
- Well 82-20 contamination
- Fire Station project
- Improvement to Water Treatment Plant
- A multitude of existing drainage problems throughout the Town
- Chapter 90 Roadway Reconstruction Projects,principally Franklin & Haverhill Streets
- Intersection redesigns - Charles Street, Oak St. and Summer Avenue and Main & Washington Sts.

WATER AND SEWER DIVISION

The Water Division installed a total of 42 new water services and a total of 2,390 linear feet of water main has also been installed. The majority of services and water main were installed in new development areas and in addition, the Division replaced 16 old water services.

The Sewer Division operates and maintains 11 sewage pumping stations. An ongoing preventive maintenance program has been very successful, and all stations have been updated to the latest state-of-the-art condition. Licensed Drain Layers connected 48 new sewage services in the past year.

SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM

The Department has been approved for additional funding by D.E.P. to continue with Infiltration and Inflow abatement of the sewer system. The Engineering Division is presently converting the entire sewer sectional plans (640 drawings) to a computer base system that will eventually allow for system analysis in a matter of minutes.

Massachusetts Water Resources Authority costs continue to rise dramatically each year due to the rehabilitation of the collection system and the construction of a one billion gallon per day secondary treatment plant.

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The Division level of effort has been maintained resulting in a system that is outstanding within the M.W.R.A. system.

LOUANIS WATER TREATMENT PLANT

Construction on improvements to the existing facility commenced on November 12, 1990:

1. New Aeration Building to house two new induced draft, redwood tray aerators.

2. Modification of existing lime system to hydrated lime.

3. Replacing filter media and installing air scouring piping.

Study by Weston and Sampson began for possibly disposing of sludge to the sewer system, rather than to the Ipswich River marsh area.

Contracts Awarded:
1. Purchase two new main transformers.
2. Town Forest Well and Well #13 cleaning and redeveloping.

Contracts awarded and completed:
1. Raw water and filter valve replacement.
2. Sedimentation basin effluent valve replacement.
3. Emergency generator radiator replacement.
4. Gravel packed well drawdown devices.
5. All unused underground fuel tanks removed.
6. Level gauge and leak detector installed on our 4,000 gallon diesel fuel tank.

Total rainfall in 1990 was 49.73 inches, which is 7.21 inches above normal.

A total of 696,533,000 gallons of water was delivered to the distribution system in 1990.

The highest single days consumption was 3,805,000 gallons on July 19, 1990 and the highest weeks consumption was for the period July 12 to July 19, 1990, an amount of 19,022,000 gallons.

Average daily pumpage was 1,908,000 gallons.

MONTHLY PUMPAGE	DAYS	AVG. DAY
January - 49,240,000	31	1,588,387
February - 44,590,000	28	1,592,500
March - 51,506,000	31	1,661,484
April - 51,297,000	30	1,709,900
May - 58,133,000	31	1,875,258
June - 68,659,000	30	2,288,633
July - 76,939,000	31	2,481,903
August - 63,973,000	31	2,063,645
September - 57,927,000	30	1,930,900
October - 59,180,000	31	1,909,032
November - 53,009,000	30	1,766,967
December - 62,080,000	31	2,002,581

RAINFALL

		Accum.Total	Normal
January -	4.26"		3.69"
February -	3.35"	7.61"	3.54"
March -	1.84"	9.45"	4.01"
April -	5.39"	14.84"	3.49"
May -	6.38"	21.22"	3.47"
June -	.74"	21.96"	3.19"
July -	5.85"	27.81"	2.74"
August -	8.13"	35.94"	3.46"
September -	1.43"	37.37"	3.16"
October -	8.56"	45.93"	3.02"
November -	2.24"	48.17"	4.51"
December -	1.56"	49.73"	4.24"
Total Norm.			42.52"

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Photo by Don Young, courtesy of The Reading Chronicle

"Supervisor Peter Tassi at Water Treatment Plant with filtration bed taken out of service"

Photo by Don Young, courtesy of The Reading Chronicle

"Steve Garrett (left) and Peter Tassi (right) at Water Treatment Plant"

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BUILDING MAINTENANCE

Custodial services were provided for Town Hall, Police Station, Library, Police Annex, Pleasant Street and Woburn Street Fire Stations, Fire Alarm Building, D.P.W. Facility and Pearl Street School. Particularly pleasing has been the performance of the new heating and electrical systems in the Town Hall. Pearl Street School continues to be a drain on our maintenance abilities due to the age of the heating and electrical systems. There have been several changes in staff due to retirement and job changes, but staffing remains level with previous years.

HIGHWAY DIVISION

This Division, though undermanned, completed many planned projects over and above normal maintenance requirements.

Special Projects:

- Developed three acre leaf compost area in conjunction with Forestry personnel.
- Performed all Fire Station site work; sewer, drains, fill and final loam and seeding, saving the Town approximately $75,000.00.
- Installed concrete equipment pad for Boosters Club.
- Prepared "Imagination Station" site for installation of equipment.
- Construct additional roads at Charles Street Cemetery and Forest Glen Cemetery.
- Reconstructed intersection at Oak Street and Summer Avenue and rebuilt sidewalks.
- Installed underground conduits and regraded and planted lawns at Town Hall complex.

The normal projects such as street sweeping, tree lawn replacement, sidewalk and street maintenance, shredding loam, cleaning catchbasins

Photo by Don Young, courtesy of The Reading Chronicle

"Snow removal in Reading Square"

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and maintenance of school traffic signals was carried on as usual.

A vehicle maintenance employee was cut from the Division due to budget constraints. The Division was already undermanned due to a workers compensation case and this further reduction has had a negative effect on our vehicle maintenance abilities.

STORM DRAIN CONSTRUCTION

Budget constraints have caused virtual curtailment of all activities in this area with the exception of catch basin cleaning and reconstruction. Open drain maintenance has been very limited for the past three years and the lack of normal maintenance is reflected by severe local flooding due to the many high intensity rain storms experienced this summer and fall. Eventually, the Town will be forced into a large expenditure to prevent residential flooding damage.

STREET MAINTENANCE

With the exception of completing the repaving and reconstruction of Haverhill Street using State Chapter 90 Funds, no street improvements other than minimal patching have been performed, and this trend will continue in 1991. As in other areas, eventually the Town will have to make a large monetary investment for repair and restoration. Presently the Department is 10 years behind on an acceptable level of maintenance and improvement of public ways.

SNOW AND ICE

A total of 20" of snow fell on Reading in 1990, 9" on January 21, 1990, 6" on February 4, 1990 and 5" on February 24, 1990. In addition to plowing, all snow was removed from the downtown area.

Rain, sleet and marginal snowfall required 14 long term sanding operations.

Photo by Don Young, courtesy of The Reading Chronicle

"Paul Masellas (l) and Bruce Fenton of DPW remove Holiday lights from trees on Reading Common"

PARKS AND FORESTRY DIVISION

The Division maintains 64 acres of grassed areas, including ballfields, soccer fields and ice skating areas throughout the Town and maintains Town Forest and all public trees. In spite of severe budget restraints, all areas were maintained at a reasonable level. The coming year will be quite different and will be apparent, as no tree planting, fertilization, aeration or enhancement projects will be possible. Grassed areas will be maintained on a "when can" basis, rather than a programmed basis.

TREE WARDEN AND SUPERINTENDENT INSECT PEST CONTROL

I submit my report as Tree Warden and Superintendent of Insect Pest Control for 1990.

Sixty-seven public shade trees were removed: Three Elm trees (Dutch Elm diseased), four trees to allow for private construction. Nine trees storm damaged, and the remaining

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fifty-one were either dead or in a dangerous condition.

Fifty-five trees were planted on public and private property as replacements.

Deadwood and low branches have been removed from the Public trees as requested, or as scouted, and tree cable bracings have been installed on weakened branches as needed.

Any wood that is not diseased or insect infested from tree trimmings or removals were left with abutting property owners as requested. The remainder of this burnable wood along with a stockpile of wood chips, will be delivered as requested upon availability.

The Town of Reading was awarded "Tree City U.S.A." for the fifth consecutive year by the National Arbor Day Foundation.

The Reading Jaycees with Doug Wade again sponsored our Arbor Day Celebration and three hundred spruce tree seedlings were given out to all fifth grade students in Reading.

A special thanks to all of these organizations, committees and commissions that promote our tree planting programs.

Respectfully submitted,
Irving E. Dickey, Jr.
Tree Warden and Superintendent
Insect Pest Control

TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

The Town Forest Committee herein submits its Annual Report for the year ending December 31, 1990.

This year there was a great deal of activity in the Forest regarding the placement of monitoring wells and a cascade system to divert and aerate unfit water away from the Town Wells. Again, this year we had some incidents of trashing and camp fires left burning after late night parties.

Members of the Committee were on hand to give guided tours of the Forest for individuals and groups that requested same.

Local Scout groups have made use of the Forest for camping and other outdoor activities.

The Town Forest Committee wishes to thank the Conservation Commission, Public Works, Fire and Police Departments for their assistance.

Respectfully submitted,
George B. Perry, Chairman
Irving E. Dickey, Jr., Vice Chairman
Benjamin E. Nichols, Secretary

SOLID WASTE

The Town entered into a new three year contract with Hiltz Co. of Gloucester, Ma. for curbside pickup of trash and curbside recycling.

A standing Solid Waste Committee meets monthly and has proposed outstanding rules and regulations that have resulted in a financial savings to the Town. Newspapers and leaves are

Photo by Don Young, courtesy of The Reading Chronicle

"Eagle Scout candidate Michael Shannon works on his monthly plastics recycling project with assistance of the Reading Jr. Women's Club"

collected separately as are glass and metals, the leaves are compacted on Town property off Strout Avenue. It appears that actual waste tipped at RESCO will be reduced from 14,000 tons per year to less than 10,000 tons per year.

Reading has joined 18 other communities in a suit to force RESCO to adhere to our original contract requirements. If successful in our suit, Reading could save as much as $2,000,000 over the next four years. Present tipping costs are $24.00 per ton through January 1, 1992. In any event, at the end of 1994 Reading will be faced with a tipping fee of $60 to $70 per ton.

DIRECTORS COMMENTS

The Town of Reading has been faced with extreme cost increases in the areas of Solid Waste and Sewer and Water charges, all in a period of economic downturn. These increases coupled with a reduction in State Aid have required budget cuts in all Town functions to some degree. The Department of Public Works budget has appeared to have increased due to increases of $1,000,000 per year by M.W.R.A. and projected increases for solid waste costs. To absorb these increases the Town has elected to eliminate road reconstruction, street sweeping on a town wide basis, tree planting, drainage construction and maintenance, bituminous overlay, stone chip seal, sidewalk maintenance and has reduced street maintenance to less than $350 per lane mile of streets. That amount of funding will purchase enough bituminous concrete to pave an area of 1200 square feet.

Some 64 acres of grass areas at the commons, schools, play and park areas will go without fertilizer, aeration or weed control, no trees will be planted or bushes replaced in public areas.

Though the entire Department has, and will, put forth our best efforts to maintain the Town and its vast investment, the deterioration of our streets, sidewalks, grass areas and public buildings will accelerate beyond our ability to maintain an acceptable level formerly expected of the Department. Crisis management will never replace planned, well thought out program management.

Respectfully submitted,
A.V. Fletcher, P.E.
Director of Public Works

BOARD OF CEMETERY TRUSTEES

The following is from office records for calendar year 1990.

Interments -

Laurel Hill -	26
Forest Glen -	80
Charles Lawn -	23
TOTAL -	129

Total for all years = 11,591

Sale of Lots - Forest Glen

Single Graves	15
Two grave lots	89
Three grave lots	7
Four grave lots	11
Five grave lots	1

Total for the year 108 Lots - 15 single graves

Total lots sold all years = 1866 lots - 763 graves

Sale of Lots - Charles Lawn

Single graves	1
Veterans Graves	8
Two grave lots	1
Extra deep graves	2

Total for the year 3 lots - 9 veterans and single graves.

Sale of Lots - Laurel Hill

Two grave lots	1
Three grave lots	1

Total of Lots and Grave Sold all Years:

Laurel Hill

Lots	1498
Single graves	1163

Forest Glen

Lots	1866
Single graves (inc. Veterans Graves)	763

Charles Lawn

Lots	261
Single graves (inc. Veterans Graves)	99

DEVELOPMENT

Charles Lawn:

A 1/2 acre area was brought up to sub-grade then loamed and seeded, top soil being processed peat excavated during wall construction.

In conjunction with the above, an approach avenue was graveled, compacted and paved with 3" bituminous concrete. Work done by D.P.W. crew and by contract. Area approximately 1275 square yards.

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Also in the same area 655 feet of two inch water line was installed with appropriate drains and shut off valves.

By contract both sides of the stone wall bordering Main Street had all loose mortar removed and repointed.

Cooperation from other Department of Public Works divisions was outstanding and much appreciated.

The Board of Cemetery Trustees has, as always, been very supportive of all the numerous programs and goals of the Department; for that I am very grateful indeed.

Respectfully submitted,
J. Henry Vik
Director/Cemetery Division

Photo by Don Young, courtesy of The Reading Chronicle

"J. Henry Vik, Director of the Cemetery Division who retired at the end of 1990"

REPORT OF CUSTODIAN OF VETERANS GRAVES

Chapter 115, Section 9 of the General Laws of Massachusetts mandates the following report for the year 1990:

Interments:
LAUREL HILL
Lewis Pierce - WW2
Robert Lundgren - Korea
Harold Zitzow - WW2
Edward Batten - WW2
Benjamin Hartshorn - WW2
William Jeffrey - N.Gd.

FOREST GLEN
Irving Hussey - WW1
Anthony Conti - WW2
Richard F. Webb - Korea
Allen Mackay - WW2
Alfred Williams - WW2
Francis Williams - WW2
Lloyd Chapman - WW2
Glen Wright - WW2
Alan Russell - WW2
Edgar Merrill - WW2
William Power - WW2
Alton Perry - WW2
Lawrence Meuse - Korea
Ernest E. Mello - Korea
Frederick Neumann - Korea
Charles Keene - WW2
William Sorenson - WW2
Thomas Freeman - WW2

CHARLES LAWN
Edith Carney - WW2
Thomas Keogan - WW2
William Mullin - WW2
Chester Cuddy - WW2
James Kendall - WW2
William Forsythe - VT
Albert McNaney - WW2
Stephen Gilman - Peace Time Service

Other:
William Jeffrey - National Guard
Stephen Gilman - Peace Time Service

Summary:

Total World War 1 -	1
World War 2 -	23
Korea -	5
Viet-Nam -	1
National Guard -	1
Peace Time -	1
Total	32

Total for all wars = 1,255

At Charles Lawn eight Veterans graves were used.

Twenty five Veterans markers were set during the year, one of which commemorated the valor of a Congressional Medal of Honor recipient.

As has been the custom for many years, all Veterans Graves were decorated with a flag and a potted flower on Memorial Day.

Respectfully submitted,
J. Henry Vik
Director/Cemetery Division

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

READING SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Stanley M. Nissen, Chairman
Term expires 1992
24 Lisa Lane

Carol Lyons
Term expires 1991
31 Avon Street

James F. Nally
Term expires 1993
12 Thorndike Street

Barbara Philbrick
Term expires 1993
75 Lowell Street

George J. Shannon
Term expires 1991
54 Linden Street

Mary Williams
Term expires 1992
82 Mineral Street

Thomas Fuller,
Student Representative
5 Jere Road
January 1990 - June 1990

Jennifer Gregorio,
Student Representative
57 Rustic Lane
September 1990 - December 1990

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES
82 Oakland Road

Robert J. Munnelly, Ed.D.,
Superintendent of Schools

Lynn M. Bak,
Assistant Superintendent

R. Warren Hopkins,
Business Manager

SCHOOL COMMITTEE OFFICE
82 Oakland Road
Office hours - Monday through Friday
8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The Reading School Committee Report

The Mission Statement in the Long Range Strategic Draft Plan states that "the school system aims to foster the growth and development of every student to his or her greatest potential in the three 'A's' - Academics, Athletics, and the Arts."

As 1990 draws to a close, this mission has become seriously jeopardized due to the deep financial crisis the state is mired in. If one were to grade the three A's using budget dollars as an evaluator, then the marks would be three F's. The deep budget cuts of 1990 - personnel layoffs, program cuts, increased athletic and bussing fees - have the distinct possibility of carrying over to the 1991 budget.

To grade the three A's in another light - achievement, spirit, co-operation, and giving, then the Reading school system stands very tall indeed. Teachers, students, parents, and friends of the Reading schools have contributed throughout the year to ensure that the process of education benefits our children to the fullest.

Our thanks to Arnold Berger, Thomas and Karen Macari, Mr. & Mrs. Eliot Polk, James Lynch, IBM, Digital, Synetics, Mass. Medical Equipment Co., Reading Boosters, 80-10-10, Eaton P.T.O., Knights of Columbus, anonymous parents and supporters for your gifts to the school system. Your support is deeply appreciated.

In the area of awards and recognition, Reading administrators, teachers and students excelled. Jack Delaney was elected President of the National Association of Secondary School Principals. Al Lahood was named Massachusetts Middle Level Administrator of the Year. The Massachusetts Director of Art Associations named Sue Wheltle as their Director of the Year. Nancy Powell became President of the Massachusetts Reading Association. Parker Middle School science teacher Dave Williams was named Science Teacher of the Year for Middlesex County.

Seven high school students won first or second place prizes at the National History Day state competition and would go on to compete in Washington, D.C. Eighth graders at the Parker Middle School established the Homework Haven, a peer support for 6th grade students.

Teachers and administrators, led by Assistant Superintendent Lynn Bak, offered the School Committee evaluations in Social Studies, Science, Technology Education, Home Economics, Elementary Science, Music, and Foreign Language. The School Committee would like to thank you for your hard work and desire to improve the education of our children.

In athletics, the track team and the girls' softball team excelled. Over 500 students, at the high school level, participated in various sports, with a user fee of 80.00 per student, per sport.

The November Town Meeting successfully passed a warrant to fund a special election on January 8th, for the purpose of funding the 4.6 million dollar building renovation and space ad-

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Photo by Don Young, courtesy of The Reading Chronicle

"Superintendent presents awards at School Committee Meeting – Lylea Latham, Stan Nissen, Mark Latham, Keith Manville, Kirsten Manville, Joanne Manville, Bob Munnelly"

dition at the Birch Meadow and Joshua Eaton Schools. If approved, the state would fund 66% of the project.

The School Committee added James Nally to its membership. New student representatives are Jennifer Gregorio and Matt Prudente.

The School Committee and the town mourned the passing of Miriam Barclay, who devoted many years of service to the schools and the community.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS REPORT

The annual report is a convenient opportunity for the Superintendent of Schools to assess vital signs of education in Reading and to make some projections about the health of the schools in the near future.

This year, some of the vital signs are disturbing while at the same time other signs point to major strengths and accomplishments of the school system.

On the strengths side, there is a continuation of national and statewide honors, awards, and recognitions earned for high quality performance by schools, faculty members and students of the Reading Schools; on the other side there is the massive reduction of programs and staff due to the cutbacks in financial support, first by the governor's veto of state aid distribution at the start of the financial year in August 1989, and then by the loss of the Proposition 2 1/2 override in the spring of 1990. One set of signs describe the serious deterioration already underway, the other set are the carry-over outcomes of the extraordinary quality which the Reading schools fostered during the 1980's.

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Let me enumerate a few of The Honors.

Students in the Reading Public Schools continued to do well earning recognition from the Massachusetts Secretary of State's office for attainments of our students in the National History Day Competition in Washington, D.C. Our athletic teams make all of us proud of their competitive accomplishments which include high rankings this year in indoor and outdoor track, softball, ice-hockey and field-hockey. Our band put on an entertaining performance every time they made an appearance. Commendations for the National Merit Award Program have come to an extraordinary high number of students this year. The political activism and service initiatives of students at Reading Memorial High School were singled out for a special award at a statehouse ceremony this June.

On the faculty side, Sue Wheltle, the Director of Art, was named Massachusetts Teacher-of-the-Year. The faculty at J. Warren Killam Elementary School has been active in developing parent participation in school planning for three years as one of seven "Carnegie" experimental schools designated and supported by Commissioner Ron Raynolds of the Massachusetts Department of Education; their progress and accomplishment was noted in the fall issue of Parents Magazine in an article entitled "What Makes a School Great." The Parker Middle Schools all-faculty effort of the past few years on instruction in higher thinking skills was acknowledged in the September back-to-school issue of Ladies Home Journal. The activities over the last four years to heighten global and international themes in instruction by the faculty and parents at Joshua Eaton was written up in a full chapter case study in a book entitled Global Education. Dr. Jack Delaney is president-elect of the association which represents secondary principals nationwide and is representing us at conferences all over the United States and Europe. Al Lahood stepped down this June as president of the Massachusetts Middle School Principals Association. The collaboration of Reading's townspeople to provide a coordinated early childhood preschool set of services in Reading has been acknowledged by state officials from the Office for Children, Department of Education, and Special Education branch as a model for suburban school systems.

Cutbacks During 1990

As the school year got underway in September, it became clear that the reductions in fiscal support would soon lead to lessening of the high quality which had become the hallmark of the Reading Schools. Noteworthy changes were the elimination of programs for the Gifted and Talented, and the traumatic cutbacks in staff development, curriculum development and instructional improvement. Bussing for all students who live less than two miles from their school was dropped and a plan that placed on parents the responsibility for insuring student transportation to school was adopted. (Some parents collaborated with the school department to set up a parent-paid school bus transportation arrangement.) While money to repair school equipment and buildings was included in the budget, no ongoing maintenance of a preventative nature was carried out. The needs for instructional equipment and supplies was seriously underfunded for the second year in a row. One-third of the custodial force, one-fifth of the secretarial staff and one-fifth of teacher aide positions were dropped in 1990. A total of 12.9 professional staff positions were eliminated from a school system which had underspent the statewide average costs by $500 the previous year. Eliminated were high school and middle school programs, one-third of the art and music staffing in the elementary schools. English, Business, and Math staff at Reading Memorial High School were reduced. The directorship in Art and Music was combined into one Unified Arts Director position, and the Athletic Program Director's position was cut to half-time as was the Physical Education Director's position. The half-time position of Data Processing Coordinator was eliminated. Parents and students were charged $80 per sport to play on Reading's inter-scholastic teams in Middlesex League competition, and a beneficiary user's fee came to be charged for students at Reading Memorial High School to offset the salaries of faculty advisors on such long term activities as yearbook, jazz band, drama club, science club, debate, cheerleading and class organizations.

While the voters of the Town failed to endorse the override which would have put back all of these losses, many townspeople came forward to try to maintain quality. Volunteers, organized as an 80-10-10 committee, under the leadership of Ron D'-Addario raised $35,000 which the School Committee used to soften the reductions in the Arts. One full-time music instrumental teacher was rehired to continue the band program and artists-in-residence programs at several schools were funded through this 80-10-10 gift. Philanthropist Arnold Berger has made several timely

donations of audio-visual equipment, library books, music texts, and computers to the schools. The Band parents and sports Boosters give unstintingly of their energy and time to the young people.

The Parent Teacher Organizations in every school have funded projects this year which were in the past included in the school department budget. Senior citizens have come forward to give extended time to our young people by volunteering in offices and libraries. Parents continue to volunteer in our elementary schools in great numbers. The Killam parents organized in the Carnegie School project deserve a special compliment for their generous commitment of time and effort. A picture of Killam parent, Matt Cummings, teaching a computer lesson appeared in the Parents Magazine article. The parents at Eaton have generously supported the global and international education effort which has earned nationwide renown.

I wish, as Superintendent of Schools, that the strengths I have enumerated could sustain the high quality of education in Reading. Realistically, the impact of the deep cuts in services, staff and programs will lessen the quality of the schools. And, even as I write this note, the lack of tax money for education in Reading has the School Committee and the public debating the wisdom of further cuts for the 1991-92 school year. It will take years of hefty tax increases to raise the services of the Reading Schools up to where they were.

As Superintendent of Schools, I am saddened to report that vital signs show that education in Reading is at risk and that the long term health of the school district is in jeopardy.

Annual Report of the Schools and Departments of the Reading Public Schools

This consolidated report represents the activities and accomplishments of the Reading Public Schools during the past calendar year.

Under the testing provisions of the Statewide Reform of Education Act, our fourth, eighth and twelfth graders were administered the state educational assessment test in areas of reading, math, science and social studies. Overall, the results placed our students within the comparable communities band, and exceeded the state average score of 1300.

READING PUBLIC SCHOOLS
MASSACHUSETTS
EDUCATIONAL ASSESSMENT
PROGRAM
1990 LEVEL SUMMARIES
COMPARED TO SIMILAR KIND
OF COMMUNITY

Elem.	Middle	High Sch.
Reading		
1370/1375	1400/1378	1330/1364
Math		
1360/1379	1460/1386	1360/1374
Science		
1350/1369	1450/1372	1360/1358
Social Studies		
1350/1375	1410/1379	1340/1366

In previous annual reports the high school could focus upon growth and development activities to typify its year, but 1990 was dominated by reductions and cutbacks.

As a result of severe budget cuts, RMHS witnessed the elimination of five professional positions, one and a half clerks and four custodians. In addition, money for supplies, texts and maintenance was reduced, and funds for equipment were eliminated. To preserve the extra-curricular and athletic programs, students paid participation fees.

While 1990 was a difficult year for secondary education in Reading, it was also a time when students made us proud. In athletics, the girls gymnastics and softball teams were crowned league champions, while the boys indoor and outdoor track teams won both league and state class B championships. Thirty of our athletes were voted league all-stars, while four received state recognition: Mary Connolly, Amy Harootian, David George, and Corey Welford.

In June the class of 1990 saw 64% of its graduates accepted to competitive colleges. In the autumn the high school was proud to hear that 18 students of the class of 1991 were commended for achievement in the national merit scholarship competition, and three were named semi-finalists in the same competition.

On other fronts, the school community said goodbye to Ms. Sally Stembridge, who retired after 35 years of service to Reading youngsters. In June faculty and students applauded Ms. Kathryn Montejunas who was named one of two 1990 Exemplary Teachers, and our social studies students won state and national honors in the National History Day competitions.

In the autumn, parents and community members brightened the year by volunteering their time and energy

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to the high school. The usual core of boosters helped keep the athletic and band programs functioning. Others swelled the ranks of the PTA, resuscitated the yearbook, assisted with clerical chores, and gave a Saturday morning to campus clean-up.

The past year has been an active one for the Coolidge and Parker middle schools. Highlights include a significant effort in examining ways to improve our schools. The principals and faculties are engaged in a self analysis of the instructional organization. The major focus has been directed toward improving student programs, examining teaching strategies and experimenting with grouping patterns. As an outcome of this examination, we find that we are in the midst of implementing or contemplating change in several areas. Accomplishments to date:

- Teacher teams were organized into grade teams and empowered to explore opportunities and design activities in meeting the needs of students.
- Academic clusters were created to provide small communities for learning.
- Student team time was established providing teacher teams the opportunity to work with students on a range of activities.
- Implementing and or experimenting with several combinations of heterogeneous/homogeneous grouping patterns in organizing students for instruction.

Professional development activities for middle school teachers continue to be a priority. Many initiatives by teachers, departments and administrators resulted in a variety of accomplishments.

Our parents' organizations continue to provide a broad base of support and remains a big factor in the success of the schools.

We offer our annual thanks to those parents and citizens who have contributed time, energy, and support to our middle schools.

In preparing the 1990-91 annual report, the elementary principals would like to note some highlights regarding our individual schools and also share a joint statement regarding the common concern over the impact that budget cuts have had at the elementary level.

At Birch Meadow School we are very proud and excited about the teacher initiated establishment of a Publishing House for the students. With our continued refinement and focus on process writing, we have established a

Photo by Don Young, courtesy of The Reading Chronicle

"Arbor Day Trees — Ken Latham, K.C. Latham, Doug Wade, Bud Dickey, and Bill Von Euw (JC's) at DPW garage with some of the 250 Douglas Fir tree seedlings that were distributed to Reading's elementary schools."

school-wide goal of having all students publish at least one story during the year. We have just received word that our school will receive a two thousand dollar grant from the New England Consortium to further develop our process writing program.

On a professional note the recognition of grade one teacher Sally Mucica as one of Reading's Exemplary Teachers of the year also swelled the Birch Meadow School with pride.

The J. Warren Killam School began to implement plans outlined in the Carnegie Grant that the school received in September, 1988. Teams of teachers and parents have been meeting to examine school issues. The work of the teams has resulted in the development of new thematic units of instruction; the implementation of class meetings to provide student council; the formation of a parent volunteer program known as V.0.I.C.E. that has provided opportunities for greater parent involvement in the education of children; the formation and implementation of an after school program, which provides additional opportunities for children to engage in learning experiences with community and school people; and the creation of a schoolwide discipline policy.

In addition to the activities surrounding the Carnegie Grant, the Killam School has successfully implemented a program that integrates severe special needs students into the regular classroom. Under the direction of special education teacher Cathy Woods, this program has improved learning opportunities for both special and regular education students.

Reading's preschool special needs population is now serviced by the preschool program located at Killam School. The preschool team, led by teacher Victoria Griffin, provides testing and coordinates program services for special needs preschoolers in Reading.

At Eaton Elementary School the entire staff has been involved in training with Dr. James Luiselli. The focus of the training has been the mainstreaming of special needs students using a case study approach. In the Language Arts area, Eaton School's Reading Specialist presented a series of meetings that focused on various reading strategies and techniques, and prepared a series of information packets that further assisted parents in their understanding of the techniques.

A school ceremony on September 11, 1989, commemorating the Barrows School's 25th anniversary set the stage for a satisfying and productive year. From the onset, students and staff were immersed in a variety of activities centered around the 25 year history of the school. One such notable activity was the assembling of time capsules at each grade level, which were filled with memorabilia of the present and to be opened 25 years hence. The celebration seemed to act as a catalyst for greater parent and P.T.0. school involvement.

The Barrows staff, as a whole, made a substantial commitment to professional development by participating in two major in-service training sessions which dealt with "instructional excellence". Half of the professional staff participated in Robert Gower's, The Skillful Teacher workshop, while the other half in Richard Strong's course "Instructional Strategies for Critical Thinking".

A strong emphasis was placed on improving instruction in mathematics. six primary grade teachers were enrolled in the Math Their Way course which brought about increased use of math manipulatives in the primary grades.

Program Enhancements at the Barrows School this past year included having the Substance Abuse Program being bolstered largely through the efforts of JoAnn McMahon and a graduate student nurse, Nancy Jamgochian. Staff met to plan and select teaching lessons from the "Here's Looking at You 2000" curriculum. Each classroom was visited three times and the topics of discussion ranged from "What is a Drug?", "What Drugs Do!", "I am Unique," and "I Know Myself."

The Peer Leadership Program has provided our 5th graders the opportunity to rap with selected high school seniors about subject matter such as good scholarship, respect for one another and one's self and responsibility. The seniors are excellent role models and the sessions are open and sincere.

The Barrow's "Meals on Wheels" program was an added component to this year's It's Good to Care Program. In the Spring of 1990, 5th grade students, two at a time, were driven by a volunteer driver to deliver the meals. Parents were involved also, since each day one was responsible for getting the student volunteers to the meal site.

Elementary curriculum initiatives continued the past school year. Not only did science curriculum development advance with the assistance of consultant Dr. George Ladd, but elementary staffs participated in com-

puter education in-service with Angie Ferris, education professor at Lesley College.

A highlight of the elementary program was the Earth Day Celebration that embraced the collaborative energies of townspeople, parents, teachers and specialists. The environmental issues became a major source of study throughout the year at each of our schools. Elementary children chose related environmental issues of concern and interest to them and were exposed to an intensive study. An integrated approach utilizing art, music, creative writing, poetry, literature and science experimentations broadened the spectrum of learning options. The displays and booths during the Earth Day Celebration proved to be the "frosting on the cake" since it was the culminating activity of a year long environmental study. Staff, parents and community people spent countless hours coordinating the major event. It was a COMMUNITY event!!!

In sharing a joint statement regarding elementary budget cuts, we want to share with the community the nature of the cuts established for this year. At the elementary level the cuts include the:

- Elimination of all bussing except for the two mile State mandated bussing and for Kindergarten students being transported out of their district to another school,
- Elimination of the gifted and talented program which serviced over 130 students system-wide,
- Reduction of the art and music staff by one professional in each area,
- Reduction of all school supplies by 25%,
- Reduction of professional development funds by 60%,
- Reduction of maintenance budgets and custodial support from 2.5 to 1.5 people at each building.

Anther cut visible to the elementary level was the loss of our early childhood grant program that had been funded by the state. Restrained state monies dissolved a program in Reading that had served a very needy population.

Our intention is not to editorialize but to remind the Reading Community at large that we all take a great deal of pride in our schools but, at the same time, are very concerned about the major financial reductions the schools have been forced to shoulder and may continue to shoulder in 1991-92.

Related to curriculum review and evaluation on a district-wide basis, several content areas were studied and assessed during the 1989-90 school year. They included curricula K-12 in areas of Physical Education, Science, Social Studies, Home Economics and Technology Education. Each study publicly presented the commendations, concerns, recommendations and future direction related to each content area. The intent of this work is to maintain a cyclical evaluation of our district-wide curricula to ensure currency, appropriateness and rigor.

Highlights in the area of Special Education include the Reading Preschool Program which provides a wide range of support services in conjunction with community based partnerships involving REAP and the Christian Cooperative Preschool Program. The benefits of community based, integrated education are available for preschool students with special needs.

The Killam School Program under the leadership of Principal Paul Guerrette and teacher, Cathy Woods, is implementing a mainstream based program involving students with severe special needs in regular education classrooms. Parents, students, teachers, and others are pleased with the outcomes of this integration based program.

The SEEM Collaborative has reduced the scope of its responsibilities significantly over the past five years. There have been substantial decreases evident in the number of students they are involved with on a regular basis. These responsibilities and duties have been assumed by individual school districts, including Reading. One of the initiatives that is continuing with the special needs collaborative is with the Language Cognitive Development Center which has a program serving preschool children with severe special needs. This program will join the talents and values of the public and private sector in a unique way to respond to the needs of our most problemed students.

Related to budget restraints, the impact of a reduction of secretarial support in the office of Pupil Services continues to substantially impact on the capacity of the Department of Pupil Personnel Services to perform various tasks and duties.

In the area of Fine Arts, as a result of 1990 budget cuts, the Art and Music Departments were combined into a single Fine Arts Department. The

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major curriculum project was an evaluation of the Music Program, which was presented to the School Committee in December 1990. Members of the Music faculty, as well as members of the Elementary Arts Curriculum Committee collaborated on this report.

Grants from the Massachusetts Cultural Council and the Reading Arts Lottery Council supported arts programs in the schools. The middle schools completed a year-long collaboration on Public Sculpture with the DeCordova Museum in Lincoln. As a result of this program, two permanent student-designed and built sculptures were installed at Coolidge and Parker. In the fall of 1990, the program was extended to the High School. An exhibition of children's art from Third World Countries toured the elementary schools, funded by the Reading Arts Council.

Students exhibited their work and performed within the community and on the state, regional and nation-wide level. Art-works by a middle and a high school student were exhibited at the National Scholastic Art Awards Exhibition in Washington, D.C. Two high school students were selected to participate in the Art All-State Festival. Two high school students were chosen for All-State Band, and one for All-State Chorus. One student was selected for the prestigious All-New England Chorus, and the Marching, Concert and Jazz Bands won medals at local festival competitions.

During this year there were staff reductions because of budget restrictions. One elementary art and one elementary music position were eliminated, as was the position of Director of Music. The Director of

Joshua Eaton, one of Reading's Elementary Schools, has earned some well-deserved National recognition for helping students think with a global and international perspective, which has been a goal of the faculty at Joshua Eaton School for the past five years. Over this period of time, they have carried out an ambitious program to help youngsters learn about other peoples and cultures. A dynamic team of parents and teachers led by Principal Don Farnham and Media Specialist Barbara McLean have created an exciting and challenging school program called "Joshua Eaton and the World." The story of their effort has been chronicled in a Chapter of a nationally-circulated book, Global Education: School and Strategies by Kenneth Tye with an introduction by John I. Goodlad, published by the Interdependence Press of Orange, California.

"Jean Weatherbee, 5th-Grade Teacher (l) and Barbara McLean, Library/Media Specialist (r) at Joshua Eaton"

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Art assumed the combined position of Director of Fine Arts in June 1990. The position of middle school instrumental teacher was eliminated, then restored through funding by the citizen's organization, 80-10-10. In December 1990,the Department consisted of seven art teachers, six music teachers, and one Director.

Nonetheless, faculty were active in professional work beyond the classroom. The Director served as the Chair of the Massachusetts Art All-State Festival and the Massachusetts Alliance for Arts Education. An elementary art teacher was a cooperating teacher for student teacher from the Massachusetts College of Art. The Director and secondary art faculty participated in field work on assessment with the staff of Harvard University's Project Zero, and a middle school faculty member served as Chair of the secondary school division of the New England Theatre conference.

In summary, the year's highlights were rather mixed. We as a school system are trying to maintain a level of quality of instruction and learning for our young students of Reading, while simultaneously being faced with severe erosion of financial support and commitment to the future of education.

STAFF

The people listed below are serving the Reading Public Schools in the following capacities for the 1990 - 1991 school year:

Administration and Specialists

Central Office	3
Principals and Assistants	11
Pupil Personnel Services Director	1
Directors	1.5
Guidance Counselors	11
Special Education Teachers and Psychologists	19
FOCUS Program	2
Physical Education and Adaptive Physical Education (including .5 Director)	13
Music Teachers	6
Art Teachers	6
Library/Media Specialists	7
Audio/visual Specialist	1
Reading Teachers	6
Occupational Therapist	.6

Classroom Teachers

Reading Memorial High	62
A.W. Coolidge Middle School	22
W.S. Parker Middle School	22
Alice M. Barrows School	14
Birch Meadow School	17
Joshua D. Eaton School	19
J. Warren Killam School	21

Health Department

Nurses	4
Physician	1

Secretarial/Clerical and Data Processing	21
Custodians - full time	26
Cafeteria - including supervisor and van driver	35
Tutors of Perceptually Handicapped - part-time	7
Teacher Aides - part time	49
Instructional Learning Assistants	9
E.S.L. Teacher - part-time	1

The following are paid under Federal or State Grants:

Special Education Liaison - Title I, PL 89-313	.5
METCO Coordinator	1
Guidance/Psychologists under PL 94-142 - part-time	2
Speech/Language Specialist under PL 94-142	1
Social Worker/Adjustment Counselor PL 94-142	1
Instructional Learning Assistants under PL 94-142	4
Chapter I Teachers - part time	5
SEEM Out of Town Aides	1
METCO Bus Aides	1
Occupational Therapist - Special Education Budget	.4

READING PUBLIC SCHOOLS

January 1990 - December 1990

RETIREMENTS

Ronald A. Winslow, Assistant Superintendent for Business 1973 - 1990

Richard Benshimol, Reading Memorial High School 1979 - 1990

Sally Stembridge, Reading Memorial High School 1955 - 1990

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Christina Copeland, Physical Education, Walter S. Parker Middle School

Virginia Cramer, J. Warren Killam School

Jane Darveau, Guidance, Reading Memorial High School

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Margaret Loder, (half time) Reading Memorial High School

Sharon Patterson, Alice M. Barrows School

Laura Nash Peterson, Walter S. Parker Middle School

Marthanne Pressey, Special Needs, J. Warren Killam School

Virginia Quinn, Physical Education, Alice M. Barrows School

Janet Sullivan, Music, Joshua D. Eaton School

Tona White, Psychologist, J. Warren Killam School

RESIGNATIONS, REDUCTION

Edward R. Boyd, Psychologist, Arthur W. Coolidge Middle School

Beth Delforge, Art, J. Warren Killam School

Kristina Dewey, Director of Data Processing

Jodie Dobkowski, Physical Education, Arthur W. Coolidge Middle School

Rebecca Flaherty, J. Warren Killam School

Louise Flippin, Special Education, Joshua D. Eaton School

Janine Gaudreau, Language Arts, Walter S. Parker Middle School

John Giacobbe, Director of Music

Anne Marie Gushue, Physical Education, Reading Memorial High School

Marguerite Grimes, Mathematics, Reading Memorial High School

Deborah Hax, J. Warren Killam School

Dawn Kelly, J. Warren Killam School

Barbara MacDonald, Guidance, Reading Memorial High School

Leslie McGovern, Early Childhood Coordinator

Brenda McMillan, METCO Tutor

Kathleen Nelson, SEEM, Reading Memorial High School

Caroline Normandin, J. Warren Killam School

Carole Palumbo, Music, Birch Meadow School

Susan Stranc, Art, J. Warren Killam School

Janet Sullivan, Music, Joshua D. Eaton School from LOA

APPOINTMENTS

Paula Durrance, SEEM, Reading Memorial High School

R. Warren Hopkins, Business Manager

Alan S. Mosier, Elementary Music

Kathleen Nelson, SEEM, Reading Memorial High School

Kay Strayer, Special Needs, Alice M. Barrows School

SCHOOL ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

To be eligible for admission to the Reading Public Schools a child must have reached the age of four years and eight months on or before August 31 of the entering year. Under no circumstances will children younger than 4 years, 8 months be admitted.

Under the laws of the Commonwealth, each child shall attend school beginning in September of the calendar year in which he or she attains the age of six.

Children entering a public school for the first time will be assigned either to a kindergarten or first grade by the building principal after a thorough consideration of preschool registration information. Registration is normally held in the early spring of each year.

Upon entering school each child is required to present a birth certificate. Certification of vaccination is no longer required.

"NO SCHOOL" SIGNALS

"No School" will be announced over Radio Stations WBZ, WHDH, WEEI, WEZE, WRKO, WXKS, and Channel 3 on Cable TV - between 6:45 a.m. and 7:30 a.m.

The Central Office has in operation an answering machine which will give information to the public regarding cancellation of school because of adverse weather conditions. The number is 944-5800 and is in operation from 5:30 a.m.

The Reading Police Department has an answer-only machine which will give information to the public regarding school cancellations. This telephone number is 944-2893.

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It is the policy in Reading to have school on all scheduled days and for parents to decide when conditions are such that it would be unwise for their child to attend. However, when travel cannot be opened, or other extraordinary conditions exist, school may be canceled for all schools or for the elementary grades only. This decision will be made by the Superintendent of Schools.

The enrollment of the Public Schools as of October 1, 1990 was 3577. In addition, there were 25 students from Reading enrolled in grades 7 through 12 at Austin Preparatory School for Boys, making the total school population in Reading as of October 1, 1990, 3602. There were also 30 boys and girls enrolled in Grades 9 through 12 at the Northeast Metropolitan Regional Vocational School.

ENROLLMENT STATISTICS
Six-year Summary of Public School Enrollment

Grade	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990
Kindergarten	246	249	253	255	274	303
Grade 1	275	271	294	295	277	294
Grade 2	264	265	279	283	281	278
Grade 3	266	260	259	283	294	278
Grade 4	247	274	268	273	286	290
Grade 5	275	244	281	263	273	287
Grade 6	263	271	253	285	265	274
Grade 7	267	267	270	253	287	267
Grade 8	307	261	261	267	248	285
Grade 9	331	292	239	248	266	231
Grade 10	355	348	291	234	255	268
Grade 11	370	335	333	293	226	248
Grade 12	328	326	319	321	279	227
Special Needs	60	53	47	48	44	47
	3854	3716	3647	3601	3555	3577

APPOINTED AND ELECTED TOWN OFFICERS, BOARDS & COMMITTEES
(Effective March 1, 1991)

Title	(# positions)	Term	Term Exp.*	Appt'g Auth.
Affirmative Action Officer	(1)	Indef.		T.Mgr.
Peter I. Hechenbleikner	16 Lowell St.			
Animal Control Officer	(1)	Indef.		T.Mgr.
Regina Benoit	115 Washington St.			
***Arts Council** (6 years max,)	(13)	2 yrs		BOS
Frances Brown, Chrm.	99 Sanborn Ln.		1991	
Mary C. Grosvenor, Sec.	1 Charles St.		1991	
Mary Ellen LaCroix, Trs.	4 Jefferson Cir.		1991	
Erline M. Robinson,Asst.Trs	273 Pearl St.		1991	
Alice W. Collins	23 Mineral St.		1991	
Beverly McAleer	135 Summer Ave.		1991	
Lorraine McCarthy	287 South St.		1991	
Jane M. McKenzie	34 Puritan Rd.		1992	
Sally S. McDonald	60 Lowell St.		1992	
David C. Mitchell	33 Auburn St.		1991	
Diane N. Slezak	32 Mineral St.		1992	
Vacancy			1991	
Vacancy			1992	
*See individual committee file				
Audit Committee	(5)			
Willard J. Burditt (FinC)	35 Holly Rd.			B.V.of O.
Elizabeth M.T. Greene (FinC)	273 Forest St.			FinCChr
John M. Silvaggi	74 Whittier Rd.			Cemetery
Russell T. Graham	68 Maple Ridge Rd.			BOS
Vacancy				Sch. Comm
Board of Appeals	(3+3 Assoc)	3 yrs.		BOS
Stephen G. Tucker, Chrm.	41 Mt. Vernon St.		1993	
John A. Jarema, VChrm.	797 Main St.		1991	
Ardith A. Wieworka	31 Avon St.		1992	
John A. Coote (Assoc.)	332 Summer Ave.		1992	
Sally C. Nitzche (Assoc.)	453 Haverhill St.		1993	
Carol N. Scott (Assoc.)	34 Emerson St.		1991	
Board of Assessors	(3)	3 yrs.		Elected
Robert I. Nordstrand Chr.	384 Franklin St.		Mar.'93	
Nils L. Nordberg, Sec.	32 Pennsylvania Ave.		Mar.'92	
David R. Nugent	511 Pearl St.		Mar.'91	

BOS - Board of Selectmen; T.Mgr. - Town Manager; Mod. - Town Moderator;
B.V. of O. - By virtue of office

*All terms expire June 30 of year noted, unless indicated otherwise

Title	(# positions)	Term	Term Exp.*	Appt'g Auth.
Board of Cemetery Trustees	(6)	3 yrs.		BOS
Joyce K. Miller, Chrm.	26 Avon St.		1993	
John M. Silvaggi, Sec.	74 Whittier Rd.		1993	
Carl H. Amon, Jr.	40 Scotland Rd.		1992	
Daniel F. Driscoll	14 Vista Ave.		1992	
Edward F. Fuller	4 County Rd.		1991	
James J. Sullivan, Jr.	112 Mineral St.		1991	
Board of Health	(3)	3 yrs.		BOS
James J. Nugent, Chrm.	511 Pearl St.		1992	
John F. Killilea, V. Chrm.	10 Longview Rd.		1991	
Paul F. Caselle, Chrm.	68 Riverside Dr.		1993	
Board of Library Trustees	(6)	3 yrs.		Elected
Christine R. Redford Chrm	18 Maple Ridge Rd.		Mar.'92	
Elia A.Dangelmaier Marnick V. Chrm.	35 Sherwood Rd.		Mar.'93	
Carol S. Beckwith Sec	23 Highland St.		Mar.'91	
Robert J. Fields	76 Prospect St.		Mar.'93	
Cherrie M. Dubois	9 Meadowbrook Ln.		Mar.'91	
William H. Diamond	236 Summer Ave.		Mar.'92	
Board of Registrars	(4 - 2 from each major party)	3 yrs.		BOS
Pearl E. Malphrus	595 Haverhill St.		1992	
C. Dewey Smith	110 Grove St.		1993	
Edward D. Winkler	26 Timberneck Dr.		1991	
Catherine A. Quimby	43 Linnea Lane		Indef	B.V.of O.
Board of Selectmen	(5)	3 yrs.		Elected
Russell T. Graham, Chrm.	68 Maple Ridge Rd.		Mar.'92	
Daniel A. Ensminger,VChrm.	6 Oakland Rd.		Mar.'92	
George V. Hines, Sec.	35 Grand St.		Mar.'93	
Sally M. Hoyt	221 West St.		Mar.'93	
Eugene R. Nigro	64 County Rd.		Mar.'91	
By-Law Committee	(5)	3 yrs		Mod.
Philip B. Pacino, Chrm	3 Copeland Ave.		1992	
Dolores S. Carroll, Clerk	37 Johanna Dr.		1993	
Edward F. Murphy	335 Summer Ave.		1991	
John B. Russell	7 Perkins Ave.		1991	
George A. Theophanis	86 West St.		1993	

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Title	(# positions)	Term	Term Exp.*	Appt'g Auth.
Cable TV Committee	(5)	3 yrs		BOS
James A. Guarente, Chr.	29 Terrace Park		1993	
James Liston, Sec	200 West St.		1993	
Donald B.Farnham	34 Putnam Rd.		1992	
George A McCormack	1 Summit Dr.#67		1992	
Gordon F. Puff	28 Winter St.		1992	
Theiss E. Winkler	66 Longview Rd.		1991	
Civil Defense Director	(1)		Indef	T.Mgr.
Leonard Redfern	36 Richards Rd.			
Commissioners of Trust Funds	(5)	3 yrs		BOS
Robert S. Cummings, Chr.	105 Gleason Rd.		1993	
Robert A. D'Ambrosio	105 Belmont St.		1992	
Dana E. Hennigar	48 Colonial Dr.		1991	
Elizabeth W. Klepeis	68 Tennyson Rd.(Tr/Col)		Indef	B.V.of O.
Russell T. Graham	68 Maple Ridge Rd. (Ch.Bd.Selec.)		1991	B.V. of O.
Community Planning & Development Commission	(5)	3 yrs		BOS
William E. Goodrich, Chrm.	38 Terrace Park		1991	
Richard D. Howard,Sec.	21 Kiernan Rd.		1992	
Jonathan E. Barnes	41 Pratt St.		1992	
Nancy E. Shipes	48 Lafayette Rd.		1993	
Thomas J. Stohlman	14 Mineral St.		1993	
Conservation Commission	(7)	3 yrs		BOS
Camille W. Anthony,Chrm.	26 Orchard Park Dr.		1991	
Jennifer A. Lachmaur,V.Chr.	14 Federal St.		1992	
James E. Biller	523 Franklin St.		1991	
Harold V. Hulse	107 Sanborn St.		1991	
Edwin J. Loschi	32 Maple Ridge Rd.		1993	
Joan Y. Nickerson	299 Pearl St.		1992	
M. Clifton Proctor, Jr.	379 Haverhill St.		1993	
		1 yr		Cons.Comm.
James Keigley	3 Pilgrim Rd.		1991	
Jennifer Miksen	41 Pinevale Ave.		1991	
Elizabeth Fuller	5 Jere Road		1991	
Constables	(2)	3 yrs		BOS
Sally M. Hoyt	221 West St.		1993	
William J. Hughes, Jr.	102 Hanscom Ave.		1992	
Contributory Retirement Board	(3)	3 yrs		
Henry J. Boissoneau,Chrm.	109 Green St.		1993	Elect. by Employees
William E. MacBrien	273 Franklin St.		12/21/91	Appt. by Bd. Membs.
Richard P. Foley,Town Acct Sec.	13 Ipswich Woods Dr. Ipswich			B.V.of O.

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Title	(# positions)	Term	Term Exp.*	Appt'g Auth.
Council on Aging	(10)	3 yrs		BOS
Ginny Lane, Chrm.	43 Pearl St.		1993	
Mary J. Andreola	331 Summer Ave.		1992	
Virginia T. Bizzarro	20 Briarwood Ave.		1993	
Gladys B. Cail	36 F.D. Tanner Dr.		1991	
Francis X. Day	34 Boswell Rd.		1991	
Dorothy L. Foxon	23 Ash Hill Rd.		1992	
Diane M. Guilfoyle	334 Main St.		1992	
Eva M. Hakanson	22 Arlington St.		1992	
Linda C. Nordberg	32 Pennsylvania Ave.		1991	
Loretta M. Spaulding	264 Forest St.		1993	
Custodian of Soldiers' and Sailor's Graves	(1)	1 yr.		BOS
William J. Hughes, Jr.	102 Hanscom Ave		1991	
Employee Awards Committee	(5)	3 yr.		
Eugene R. Nigro	64 County Rd.		1992	BOS
Peter I. Hechenbleikner	102 Eastway		Indef	B.V. of O.
Lois K. Bond	178 Walnut St.		1991	T.MGR.
Richard W. Robbins	42 Dudley St.		1992	
Vacancy			1993	
Fair Housing Committee	(9)	3 yrs.		BOS
Mary L. Brown	136 Woburn St.		1991	
Judith E. Kramer	249 Grove St.		1992	
Margaret K. Plansky	17 Wakefield St.		1992	
John M. Pirone	7 Verde Circle		1991	
Maureen Rich	169 Haverhill St.		1992	
Finance Committee (9 years max.	(9)	3 yrs		FinCom Apt. Comm.
Willard J. Burditt, Chrm.	35 Holly Rd.		1991	
Elizabeth M.T.Greene,VChrm.	273 Forest St.		1991	
Nicholas R. Agneta	15 Summer Ave.		1992	
Richard H. Coco	4 Fremont St.		1992	
Harvey J. Dahl	16 Tennyson Rd.		1992	
Gerald L. MacDonald	9 Bear Hill Rd.		1993	
George M. McWilliams	67 Riverside Dr.		1991	
Fred Van Magness	243 Franklin St.		1993	
Nathan C. White	24 Meadow Brook Lane		1993	
FinCom Appointment Committee	(3)	1 yr		
Paul C. Dustin, Chrm.	3 Orchard Park Dr. (Moderator)		1991	B.V. of O.
Russell T. Graham	68 Maple Ridge Rd. (Chrm.Bd.of Sel.)		1991	
Willard J. Burditt	35 Holly Rd. (Chrm.FinCom)		1991	

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Gas & Plumbing Inspector	(1)	Indef		T.Mgr.
Edward M. Cirigliano	1 Scotland Hts. North Reading			
Hazardous Waste Committee	(5 + Assoc)	3 yrs		BOS
Steven G. Oston, Chrm.	66 Sturges Rd.		1991	
Gretchen P. Latkowsky,V.Chair	93 King St.		1991	
Paul Exner	178 Wakefield St.		1993	
Regina M. Snyder	11 Jadem Terrace		1993	
John P. Sullivan	556 Haverhill St.		1992	
		1 yr		
Linda L. King (Assoc)	836 Main St.		1991	
Brian A. O'Shaughnessy (Assoc)	19 Belmont St.		1991	
Historical Commission	(5 + Assoc)	3 yrs		BOS
Sharon K. Ofenstein, Chrm.	320 Haverhill St.		1992	
Edward G. Smethurst, Treas.	86 Gleason Rd.		1993	
John F. McCauley, Sec.	269 West St.		1992	
Virginia M. Adams	59 Azalea Circle		1993	
Edward W. Palmer	45 Pratt St.		1991	
		1 yr.		
Leslie L. Gonzales (Assoc.)	18 Hanscom Ave.		1991	
Frank P. Orlando (Assoc.)	210 Summer Ave.		1991	
Nancy L. Smethurst (Assoc.)	86 Gleason Rd.		1991	
Housing Authority	(5)	5 yrs		BOS
Richard S. Dempster, Chrm.	633 Summer Ave.		1994	
William E. McIsaac, VChrm.	17 Whitehall Ln.		5/31/91	St. Appt
Arthur J. Reynolds, Jr. Treas.	33 Hillside Rd.		1992	
Jean H. Galvin	225 Forest St.		1995	
Robert K. Sweet, Jr.	32 Baker Rd.		1993	
Insect Pest Control	(1)	Indef		T.Mgr.
Irving E. Dickey, Jr.	9 Arbor Way			
Inspector of Buildings	(1)	Indef.		T.Mgr.
Stuart S. LeClaire	11 Plymouth Rd.			
Insurance Committee	(5)	3 yrs		BOS
David C. Pratt, Chrm.	12 Winter St.		1993	
Alban L. Bernard	8 Gilmore Ave.		1992	
Robert W. Ingves	19 Milepost Rd.		1991	
Pamela E. Philbrick	113 Hopkins St.		1992	
Vacancy			1993	
Land Bank Committee	(3)	3yrs		BOS
Benjamin E. Nichols	25 Avon St.		1993	
George B. Perry	230 Franklin St.		1992	
Edward G. Smethurst	86 Gleason Rd.		1991	

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Title	(# positions)	Term	Term Exp.*	Appt'g Auth.
(MEPA)Rep to Citizens Advisory Comm	**(1 + Alt)**	**Indef**		**BOS**
Steven G. Oston	66 Sturges Rd.			
Robert F. Cashins(Alternate)	144 Howard St.			
Metropolitan Area Planning Council	**(1 + Alt)**	**3 yr**		**BOS**
Mark J. Favaloro	167 County Rd.		12/31/93	
Jonathan Edwards(Alternate)	158 Howard St.		12/31/93	
Moderator	**(1)**	**1 yr**		**Elected**
Paul C. Dustin	3 Orchard Pk.		March '91	
Municipal Light Board	**(5)**	**3 yrs**		**Elected**
Barry E. Hampson, Chrm.	37 Joseph Way		March '91	
James L. O'Leary, Sec.	31 Fairview Ave.		March '93	
Allan E. Ames	14 Arnold Ave.		March '91	
William J. Hughes, Jr.	102 Hanscom Ave.		March '92	
Philip C. Pacino	3 Copeland Ave.		March '92	
Mystic Valley Elder Services Inc.	**(2)**	**3 yrs**		
Rheta C. McKinley	63 Lowell St.		09/30/91	**BOS**
Doris M. Fantasia	32 Beaver Rd.		09/30/92	**COA**
Reading Housing Partnership Committee	**(13)**	**3 yrs**		**BOS**
Richard S. Dempster	633 Summer Avenue		1992	
William G. Denhard	25 Springvale Rd.		1992	
John C. Flynn	49 Locust St.		1993	
Sally M. Hoyt (BOS)	221 West Street		1993	
William E. Goodrich (CPDC)	38 Terrace Pk.		1991	
Sally Nitzsche (Bd.ofAppls.)	707 Main St.		1991	
Paul A. Kelley	56 Sunnyside Ave.		1991	
Adrienne D. McMahon	9 Parkman Road		1992	
Margaret K. Plansky	17 Wakefield St.		1991	
Christopher R. Vaccaro	57 Woburn St.		1992	
Mary S. Ziegler	37 Redgate Lane		1993	
Recreation Committee	**(8 + 1 Sch. Comm + Alt)**	**3 yrs**		**BOS**
John L. Fallon, Jr. Chrm.	41 Galvin Cir.		1992	
Catherine M. Swymer, VChrm	72 Berkeley St.		1991	
Joseph J. Connelly	23 Vine St.		1993	
Fred L. Connover	10 Birch Road		1993	
Joseph J. Giordano	12 Francis Drive		1991	
Catherine R. Kaminer	37 Warren Ave.		1991	
Thomas J. McGrath	39 Harrison Ave.		1993	
John B. Pacino	3 Copeland Ave.		1992	
Mary E. Williams	82 Mineral St.			**SchComm**

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Title	(# positions)		Term	Term Exp.*	Appt'g Auth.
Recreation Committee cont.			1 yr		BOS
James R. Mullen (Assoc.)	10	Gleason Rd.		1991	
Stanley J. Quinlan (Assoc.)	179	Main St.		1991	
Lorraine Z. Salter (Assoc.)	56	Pearl St.		1991	
Steven R. Sullivan (Assoc.)	160	High Street		1991	
&See individual committee file					
Regional School District Committee	(1)		4 yrs		Elected
John B. Pacino	3	Copeland Ave.		March '93	
Rules Committee	(8)	No more than 6 cons. yrs.			Precinct
Sally C. Nitzsche (Prect. 1)	453	Haverhill St.			Members
Virginia M. Adams (Prect. 2)	279	Pleasant St.			
Victor R. Carlson (Prect. 3)	41	Shackford Rd.			
George A. Theophanis(Prec.4)	86	West St., Clerk			
Henry A. Higgott (Prec. 5)	18	Buckingham Dr., Chair.			
Robert R. Lynch (Prect. 6)	24	Shelby Road			
C. Dewey Smith (Prect. 7)	110	Grove St.			
Frederick Van Magness(Prect.8)	243	Franklin St.			
School Committee	(6)		3 yrs		Elected
Stanley M. Nissen,Chrm.	24	Lisa Lane		March'92	
Carol S. Lyons,VChrm.	31	Avon St.		March'91	
James F. Nally, Jr.	12	Thorndike St.		March'93	
Barbara B. Philbrick	75	Lowell St.		March'93	
George J. Shannon	54	Linden St.		March'91	
Mary E. Williams	82	Mineral St.		March'92	
School Building Committee	(6)		Indef.		Mod
Donald B. Farnham, Chrm.	34	Putnam Rd.			
Margaret D. Cowell	142	Woburn St.			
Roberta D'Antona	68	Old Farm Rd.			
Robert J. Grasso	114	Gleason Rd.			
Marthanne Pressey	32	Hampshire Rd.			
Roger O. Sanstad	120	Grove St.			
Sealer of Weights & Measures	(1)		Indef		T.Mgr
Diane R. Kurkjian	341	Ash St.			
Sick Bank Committee	(7)		3 yrs		T.Mgr
Ruth Cogan	14	Medfield St. Boston, MA	1991		
Elizabeth W. Klepeis	68	Tennyson Rd.	1992		
Vacancy			1993		
Margaret A. Campbell	14	Hartshorn St.	1993		Union Pres
Alvin C. Opland	129	Pond St. Billerica, MA	1991		Union Pres
Thomas B. Ward	24	Hawes Ave. Melrose, MA	1992		Union Pres
Vacancy			1991		E.by Union

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Solid Waste	(7)	3 yrs		BOS
Anglehart, Donald L.	165 Bancroft Ave.		6/30/93	
Brigham, Patricia G.	60 Fairchild Dr.		6/30/92	
Edwards, Carol M.	158 Howard St.		6/30/92	
King, Linda L.	836 Main St.		6/30/91	
Mark, Anne P.	284 Summer Ave.		6/30/93	
Sabo, Sara C.	15 Covey Hill Rd.		6/30/93	
Thomases, Stephen W.	88 Colburn Rd.		6/30/91	
350th Anniversary Steering Committee	(9)		12/31/94	
Alan E. Foulds, Chr.	9 Ide St.			BOS
Vacancy				BOS
Susan C. Theophanis	86 West St.			BOS
Edward W. Palmer	45 Pratt Street			Hist.Com.
Everett A. Blodgett	99 Prescott St			Ant. Soc.
Shirley A. Buzderewicz	244 Franklin St.			Mod
Susan A. Horn	22 Irving St.			Mod
Paul J. Sweeney	168 Walnut St.			Mod
Susan Wheltle				Sch.Comm.
Town Accountant	(1)	1 yr		BOS
Richard P. Foley	16 Ipswich Woods Dr. Ipswich, MA 01938		3/91	
Town Clerk	(1)	Indef		T.Mgr.
Catherine A. Quimby	43 Linnea Ln.			
Town Counsel	(1)	Indef		BOS
H Theodore Cohen	Tyler & Reynolds			
Town Forest Committee	(3)	3 yrs		BOS
George B. Perry, Chrm	230 Franklin St.		1991	
Irving E. Dickey,Jr.VChrm.	9 Arbor Way		1993	
Benjamin E. Nichols,Sec.	25 Avon St.		1992	
Town Manager	(1)	Indef		BOS
Peter I. Hechenbleikner	102 Eastway			
Town Planner	(1)	Indef.		T.Mgr.
Jonathan Edwards	158 Howard St			
Treasurer/Collector	(1)	1 yr		T.Mgr.
Elizabeth W. Klepeis	68 Tennyson Rd.		March'91	
Assistant Treasurer	(1)	Indef		T.Mgr.
William G. Connors	7 Shackford Rd.			

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Title	(# positions)	Term	Term Exp.*	Appt'g Auth.
Tree Warden	(1)	Indef		T.Mgr.
Irving E. Dickey, Jr.	9 Arbor Way			
Water and Sewer Advisory Committee	(1)	3 yrs		BOS
Gail F. Wood, Chrm.	213 Pleasant St.		1991	
Curt E. Nitzsche	453 Haverhill St.		1992	
Isidoro D. Perez	23 Ridge Rd.		1993	
Veterans' Service	(1)	Indef		T.Mgr
Paul A. Farrell, Dir.	6 Beverly Ave. Box 544, Wilmington			
Wire Inspector	(1)	Indef		T.Mgr
John J. Holland	45 Howard St.			

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Title	(# positions)	Term	Term Exp.*	Appt'g Auth.
Ad Hoc Depot Area Parking Task Force		Indef		BOS
Evelyn P. Bosworth	378 Lowell St.			
Patricia A. Driscoll	105 Washington			
Russell T. Graham	68 Maple Ridge Rd.			
Bernice M. Herrick	85 Vine St.			
Dianne M. O'Leary	266 West St.			
Thomas J. Stohlman	14 Mineral St.			
William T. Welch	35 Chapel Hill Dr.			
Ad Hoc Master Plan Advisory Committee		Indef		BOS
Thomas C. Baillie	195 Main St.			
Nel M. Dolan	33 Sturges Rd.			
Janet H. Franklin	106 Oak St.			
Keven M. Fulgoni	16 Margaret Rd.			
Linda L. Goodemote	11 Willard Rd.			
William J. Hughes, Jr.	102 Hanscom Ave.			
Anna M. Indars	45 Rustic Ln.			
Gretchen Latowsky	93 King St.			
Wendy J. Liston	200 West St.			
Nancy E. Meehan	11 Vista Ave.			
Leonard S. Pienta III	107 Eastway			
Joseph F. Regan	30 Selfridge Rd.			
Lynda J. Robbins	124 Prospect St.			
Sara C. Sabo	50 Covey Hill Rd.			
John W. Stempeck	26 Virginia Rd.			
Carolyn R. Whiting	17 Chestnut Rd.			
Ad Hoc Pearl Street School Building Committee				
Deborah L. Berndtson	141 Belmont St.			
Lois Bond	176 Walnut St.			
Jonathan Edwards	158 Howard St.			
Susan C. Hennessey	36 Pearl St.			
Elizabeth Klepeis	68 Tennyson Rd.			
Edward Marchand	539 Pearl St.			
Margaret Plansky	17 Wakefield St.			
Leonard Redfern	36 Richards Rd.			
William Redford	18 Maple Ridge Rd.			
Ad Hoc Senior Center Location Study Committee		Indef		BOS
Lois K. Bond	176 Walnut St.			
William V. Driscoll	336 Lowell St.			
Dorothy L. Foxon	23 Ash Hill Rd.			
Lorna C. Knapp	56 Prospect St.			
Rheta C. McKinley	63 Lowell St.			
Linda C. Nordberg	32 Pennsylvania Ave.			
Frederick E. Perry	43 Whittier Rd.			
Irving L. Stackpole	186 Summer Ave.			
William M. Watt	40 Longview Rd.			
Mary S. Ziegler	37 Red Gate Lane			

Title	(# positions)	Term	Term Exp.*	Appt'g Auth.
Ad Hoc Wading Pool Committee				BOS
Irving E. Dickey, Jr.	9 Arbor Way			
Richard P. Fotino, Sr.	1117 Main Street			
Janice A. Landry	4 Garrett Road			
John B. Pacino	3 Copeland Ave.			
Robert S. Salter	56 Pearl St.			

SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE

Members

Anglehart, Donald L.,	165 Bancroft Ave.	942-1445	6/30/93
Brigham, Patricia G.,	60 Fairchild Dr.	944-3058	6/30/92
Edwards, Carol M.,	158 Howard St.	944-9558	6/30/92
King, Linda L.,	836 Main St.	944-9388	6/30/91
Mark, Anne P.,	284 Summer Ave.	944-8769	6/30/93
Sabo, Sara C.,	15 Covey Hill Rd.	942-0977	6/30/93
Thomases, Stephen W.,	88 Colburn Rd.	944-1876	6/30/91

Staff Liaison

Ruth Cogan	16 Lowell St.	942-0500 x56
Ted McIntire	16 Lowell St.	942-0500 x40

READING MUNICIPAL LIGHT

Photo by Don Young, courtesy of The Reading Chronicle

"RMLD workers Billy Woods (l), Jerry Lees (c), and Jerry Fields (r)"

Photo by Don Young, courtesy of The Reading Chronicle

"Citizens and Town Officials touring RMLD facilities in October"

READING MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD

Barry E. Hampson, Chairman	Term Expires 1991
James L. O'Leary, Secretary	Term Expires 1993
Allan E. Ames, Member	Term Expires 1991
Philip B. Pacino, Member	Term Expires 1992
William J. Hughes, Jr., Member	Term Expires 1992

Leonard D. Rucker
General Manager
25 Haven Street

To: The Town of Reading Municipal Light Board

Gentlemen:

Respectfully submitted is the ninety-sixth report of the Municipal Light Department

1990 represented another year of change for the RMLD. The Board of Commissioners approved a variety of significant programs and initiatives to improve productivity, optimize power purchases, and otherwise allow the RMLD to remain very competitive in rates and services. Specific major accomplishments were:

1. Negotiations on acquiring additional real estate in Reading to consolidate all operations on Ash Street.

2. Achieving final approval of the 20 Year Agreement among the Reading Municipal Light Department, North Reading, Lynnfield and Wilmington and successful passage of special legislation on in-lieu-of-taxes.

3. Establishing and implementing new administrative processes to improve purchasing and accounts receivables.

4. Analyzing and specifying our future computer needs to support extensive computerization of many administrative processes currently done by less-efficient methods.

5. Incorporating of Least Cost Planning, Energy Conservation and Load Management as part of our normal decision processes.

6. Completion of processes to reduce our oil dependence and routinely sell excess power to reduce risk and cost to our rate payers.

As a result of these programs and others, the RMLD completed 1990 with no rate increase. The RMLD still has Commercial and Residential rates lower than all the privately- owned utilities servicing Massachusetts. This was accomplished while maintaining sound financial and accounting processes.

1990 CONSTRUCTION HIGHLIGHTS

The Department participated in three simulated load shedding tests conducted by the Rhode Island, Eastern Massachusetts and Vermont Energy Control (REMVEC) during the year. All of these tests were successful. The Department is required to reduce our system the load by the percentage specified within ten minutes. These test procedures are conducted routinely throughout the year to test the effectiveness and response time of the area Utilities in case an emergency should arise during the year which would require an actual load reduction.

Twenty one actual load watches were implemented during the year to make Utilities aware of the possibility of implementation of either Procedure #4 (implement energy conservation procedures and voltage reductions) or Procedure #7 (load reduction by load shedding) due to the lack of capacity conditioned on the loss of any major generating unit or transmission facility.

The Department was successful in avoiding a new system peak during the summer of 1990. System Peak occurred on July 18 - 118,720 KW which was 1330 KW's less than 1989.

Participation in the Utilities Underground Plant Damage Prevention System (Dig Safe) required three hundred and seventy three (373) man hours for Department personnel to locate and mark the Departments underground facilities prior to excavation by contractors. Seven hundred and forty five requests were answered during 1990. On the average each call consumes approximately 30 minutes to identify and locate the position of the Departments facilities in the field, which is accomplished by the efforts of the Station Department personnel. Dig Safe is a necessary safeguard to prevent damage to facilities which would result in the interruption of customer service.

The Energy Services Division was an active participant in the northeast energy market during 1990. Approximately $407,000 worth of excess power was sold by the RMLD to various municipal electric utilities within New England.

There were a total of sixty four pole damage cases as a result of motor vehicle accidents. The majority of these occurred in Wilmington with twenty eight, Reading with seventeen, North Reading with seventeen and Lynnfield Center with two. Pole replacement work and repairs require an extensive amount of maintenance, keeping in mind that the average time to complete repairs is twenty four man hours per pole, which is approximately three months of work for one line crew consisting of three men.

The Department installed a total of two hundred eighty nine services during the year, one hundred ninty three single phase services, sixty seven three phase services and thirty-three temporary services. Two hundred forty four meter changes were also completed.

There were two hundred and thirty-four Residential Home Energy Audits and four Commercial Energy Audits performed this year by Mass-Save.

The Department completed seventy four pole replacement transfers in 1990, which was a major accomplishment considering the busy work schedule and keeping in mind that transfers require a minimum of four crew hours to an average maximum of eight crew hours.

Pole setting for maintenance, new customers and flood lighting included a total of eighty-four units: Twenty-two were set in Reading, fifty in North Reading, and twelve in Wilmington. A significant number of poles were placed by New England Telephone for joint use in all four towns.

The Department answered two hundred eighty-eight emergency calls during 1990. The breakdown of the calls is as follows: seventy-five blown line fuses, eleven feeder outages, twenty-seven primary lines down, fourteen secondary lines down, twenty-seven services down, eighty-six part power calls, forty-eight transformer trips for various reasons.

A considerable amount of time was spent on Residential Underground Construction in eight developments throughout the service area:

In the town of Wilmington, Chestnut Estates II with 27 lots, Amhurst Road, 9 lots; Carter Lane, 4 lots; Allgrove estates 10 lots.
In the town of North Reading, Elmwood Hill Village with 22 lots, Continental Estates with 52 lots, Apple Tree Lane with 3 lots, and Eisenhaures Farm Phase II.

Service Extensions - The Department performed work including short primary line construction, transformer bank installation, secondary cable installation, and the connection of customer owned equipment to provided new or upgraded service at the following commercial locations:

Town Hall Renovations in Reading, Reading; Atlantic Plaza Renovations, North Reading High School, North Reading; Central Fire Station, Reading; Nature Foods, Wilmington; Wilmington Elderly Housing, Wilmington; Texaco Station Renovations, Reading; 101 Main Street, 3 phase service, Wilmington, Mike's Place, Wilmington; 525 Main Street, service upgrade, Reading; 891 Woburn Street, Painters Oil Supply, Wilmington; Tambone Technology Park, Wilmington; Reading Car Wash, Reading; Star Market, North Reading; and the Postal Service, North Reading.

Line Extensions - Construction work involving replacement or installation and framing of poles and installation of primary and secondary conductors and equipment was performed to extend distribution supply on the following streets or parcels and land:

Aldrich Road, Pearl Court, New Hampshire Road, Day Street, Roosevelt Road, Lake Street Bridge, Swain Road conversion, Cary Street pole line, in Wilmington; Rocky Road Estates, Emerald Drive pole relocation, Johnston Circle, and Meadowridge Estates, Fairwood Acres and Ashley Woods in Reading; McDonald's and Star Martket in North Reading.

Feeder Construction - The construction or upgrading of major distribution supply feeders involved the following work:

Feeder 4W9	Reconductoring Haverhill Street, North Reading
Feeder 2J10	Reconductoring Lowell and Chestnut Streets, Lynnfield
Feeder 5W5	Tie Bus Construction with RTU, Wilmington
Feeder 1J14	Reconductoring Knollwood Road, Reading

GENERAL STATISTICS OF THE
READING MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT
A FOUR YEAR COMPARISON

SYSTEM OUTPUT	1987	1988	1989	1990
ENERGY PURCHASED (MWH)	591,370	612,629	622,180	620,040
ENERGY COST ($/KWH)	$.0648	$.0657	$.0609	$.0633
SYSTEM PEAK (KW)	107,680	120,080	119,760	118,720
MEGWATTHOURS SOLD				
RESIDENTIAL	158,607	167,160	167,644	171,028
COMM., IND., & MUNIC.	390,031	403,639	399,969	403,092
OTHER	4,249	3,192	3,915	4,744
TOTAL	552,887	573,992	571,529	578,886
NUMBER OF CUSTOMERS				
RESIDENTIAL	20,146	20,420	20,729	20,929
COMM., INDUST. & MUN.	2,150	2,224	2,235	2,227
OTHER	22	22	22	22
TOTAL	22,318	22,666	22,986	23,178
OPERATING REVENUE (000'S)				
RESIDENTIAL	$14,133	$14,721	$14,332	$14,773
COMM., IND. & MUN.	$29,586	$30,385	$29,484	$30,025
OTHER	$463	$465	$561	$646
TOTAL	$44,182	$45,572	$44,377	$45,444
REVENUE PER KILOWATTHOUR				
RESIDENTIAL	$.0891	$.0881	$.0855	$.0864
COMM., IND. & MUN	$.0759	$.0753	$.0737	$.0745
OTHER	$.1090	$.1456	$.1433	$.1361
ALL CLASSES	$.0799	$.0794	$.0776	$.0785

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Independent Auditor's Report

We have audited the accompanying balance sheets of the Town of Reading, Massachusetts, Municipal Light Department as of December 31, 1990 and 1989, and the related statements of income, surplus and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Department's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statments are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described in Note A, these financial statements were prepared in conformity with the accounting practices prescribed by the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Reading, Massachusetts, Municipal Light Department as of December 31, 1990 and 1989, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note A.

Our examination was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The accompanying supplementary report, Total Electric Utility Plant, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the examination of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

February 8, 1991

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS
MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT
BALANCE SHEET
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1990 AND 1989

ASSETS

	1990	1989	Increase (Decrease)
Electric Utility Plant:			
Transmission plant at cost	$ 2,200,052	$ 2,179,655	$ 20,397
Distribution plant at cost	28,596,145	27,230,960	1,365,185
General plant at cost	3,408,296	3,055,341	352,955
Total Electric Utility Plant Cost	34,204,493	32,465,956	1,738,537
Less: Accrued Depreciation	16,745,345	15,613,613	1,131,732
Net Electric Utility Plant in Service	17,459,148	16,852,343	606,805
Construction in Progress (Note M)	144,067	-0-	144,067
Net Electric Utility Plant	17,603,215	16,852,343	750,872
Investments:			
Investments in Associated Companies (Note 8)	461,872	461,872	-0-
Funds Accounts:			
Depreciation fund	1,475,206	1,954,655	(479,449)
Current and Accrued Assets:			
Operating cash (Note C)	14,635,113	9,016,414	5,618,699
Customer deposits	664,097	458,917	205,180
Petty cash	2,000	2,000	-0-
Customer accounts receivable	3,575,354	3,071,108	504,246
Other accounts receivable	465,070	1,523,664	(1,058,594)
Materials and supplies (Note A)	1,060,242	1,107,827	(47,585)
Stores expense	83,722	71,542	12,180
Prepayments	1,294,258	848,050	446,208
Total Current and Accrued Assets	21,779,856	16,099,522	5,680,334
Total Assets	$41,320,149	$35,368,392	$5,951,757

LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS

	1990	1989	Increase (Decrease)
Surplus			
Appropriation for bond redemption	$ 1,600,000	$ 1,570,000	$ 30,000
Appropriation for construction payments	30,678	30,678	-0-
Unappropriated earned surplus (Exhibit B)	27,217,831	23,447,807	3,770,024
Total Surplus	28,848,509	25,048,485	3,800,024
Long-Term Debt:			
Obligations under capital lease (Note D)	4,567	13,977	(9,410)
Current and Accrued Liabilities:			
Bonds payable-current portion (Note D)	-0-	30,000	(30,000)
Obligations under capital lease-current portion	10,224	9,341	883
Accounts payable	4,529,764	3,926,239	603,525
Customer deposits	664,097	458,917	205,180
Interest accrued	-0-	225	(225)
Other accrued expenses	57,414	-0-	57,414
Total Current and Accrued Liabilities	5,261,499	4,424,722	836,777
Deferred Credits:			
Customer advances for construction	1,333,794	1,298,616	35,178
Other deferred credits (Note E)	2,864,570	1,091,700	1,772,870
Total Deferred Credits	4,198,364	2,390,316	1,808,048
Reserves:			
Reserve for uncollectible accounts	219,010	321,882	(102,872)
Miscellaneous operating reserves (Note F)	1,933,901	2,345,201	(411,300)
Total Reserves	2,152,911	2,667,083	(514,172)
Contribution in Aid of Construction:			
Contribution in aid of construction	854,299	823,809	30,490
Total Liabilities and Surplus	$41,320,149	$35,368,392	$5,951,757

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

EXHIBIT B

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS
MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND ANALYSIS OF SURPLUS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1990 AND 1989

	1990	1989	Increase (Decrease)	Ratio 1990	Ratio 1989
Operating Income:					
Operating revenues (Schedule 8-1)	$ 45,443,793	$ 44,377,352	$ 1,066,441	100.00%	100.00%
Operating Expenses:					
Operating expenses	44,295,367	41,746,532	2,548,835	97.47	94.07
Maintenance expenses	813,456	737,248	76,208	1.79	1.66
Depreciation	1,098,847	1,003,585	95,262	2.42	2.26
Total Operating Expenses	46,207,670	43,487,365	2,720,305	101.68	97.99
Total Operating Income (Loss)	(763,877)	889,987	(1,653,864)	(1.68)%	2.01%
Other Income:					
Income from merchandising, jobbing and contract work	106,126	34,094	72,032		
Interest income	872,959	638,031	234,928		
Forfeited discounts	709,480	623,349	86,131		
Total Other Income	1,688,565	1,295,474	393,091		
Total Income	924,688	2,185,461	(1,260,773)		
Miscellaneous Income Deductions:					
Interest on long-term debt	3,569	10,899	(7,330)		
Voluntary payments to towns (Note N)	178,904	-0-	178,904		
Total Miscellaneous Income Deductions	182,473	10,899	171,574		
Net Income	$ 742,215	$ 2,174,562	$ (1,432,347)		
Earned Surplus:					
Unappropriated earned surplus (at beginning of period)	$ 23,447,807	$ 20,993,716	$ 2,454,091		
Balance transferred from income	742,215	2,174,562	(1,432,347)		
Miscellaneous credits to surplus (Note G)	4,321,191	1,659,529	2,661,662		
Total Credits	28,511,213	24,827,807	3,683,406		
Deductions from Earned Surplus:					
Appropriations of surplus (Note H)	1,293,382	1,380,000	(86,618)		
Total Deductions from Earned Surplus	1,293,382	1,380,000	(86,618)		
208 Unappropriated Earned Surplus (at end of period)	$ 27,217,831	$ 23,447,807	$ 3,770,024		

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS
MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT
SCHEDULE OF OPERATING REVENUE
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1990 AND 1989

	Net Revenue		
	1990	1989	Increase (Decrease)
Sales of Electricity:			
Residential sales	$ 14,772,517	$ 14,332,193	$ 440,324
Commercial and industrial sales	28,579,657	28,116,527	463,130
Private street lighting	169,356	78,538	90,818
Total Private Consumers	43,521,530	42,527,258	994,272
Municipal Sales:			
Street lighting	465,078	467,440	(2,362)
Municipal buildings	1,394,148	1,319,568	74,580
Total Municipal Consumers	1,859,226	1,787,008	72,218
Sales For Resale	63,037	63,086	(49)
Total Operating Revenue (To Exhibit B)	$ 45,443,793	$ 44,377,352	$ 1,066,441

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TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS
MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1990 AND 1989

	1990	1989
Cash Flows From Operating Activities:		
Net income	$ 742,215	2,174,562
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash:		
Depreciation	1,287,470	1,207,701
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Decrease (increase) in customer deposits cash	(205,180)	113,712
Decrease (increase) in accounts receivable	(504,246)	165,942
Increase in stores expense	(12,180)	(24,998)
Decrease (increase) in prepayments	(446,208)	92,818
Decrease (increase) in accounts receivable - other	1,058,594	(434,267)
Decrease (increase) in materials and supplies	47,585	(332,091)
Increase in accounts payable	603,525	1,681,274
Increase (decrease) in customer deposits liability	205,180	(113,712)
Increase (decrease) in current obligations under lease	883	(40,279)
Increase (decrease) in accrued expenses	57,189	(2,392)
Increase (decrease) in miscellaneous operating reserves	(411,300)	402,846
Decrease (increase) in depreciation fund	479,449	(485,547)
Decrease in reserve for uncollectible accounts	(102,872)	(49,652)
Increase (decrease) in other deferred credits	1,772,870	(101,984)
Miscellaneous credits to surplus	4,321,191	1,659,529
Appropriation of surplus	(13,382)	-0-
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	$ 8,880,783	$ 5,913,462

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS
MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1990 AND 1989

	1990	1989
Cash Flows From Investing Activities:		
Additions to utility plant	$(1,899,886)	$(2,040,149)
Construction in progress	(144,067)	-0-
Disposal of utility plant, net of accumulated depreciation	5,611	-0-
Increase in customer advances for contruction	35,178	118,694
Increase in contributions in aid of construction	30,490	-0-
In-lieu-of tax payment to Town of Reading	(1,250,000)	(1,250,000)
Increase in investments	-0-	(117,425)
Net Cash Used in Investing Activities	(3,222,674)	(3,288,880)
Cash Flows From Financing Activities:		
Payments on long-term obligations	(39,410)	(139,342)
Net Cash Used in Financing Activities	(39,410)	(139,342)
Net Increase in Cash	5,618,699	2,485,240
Cash, January 1,	9,016,414	6,531,174
Cash, December 31,	$14,635,113	$ 9,016,414

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS
MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1990 AND 1989

Note A. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:

This summary of significant accounting policies of the Town of Reading Municipal Light Department (the Department) is presented to assist in understanding the Department's financial statements. The financial statements and notes are representations of the Department's management who is responsible for their integrity and objectivity. These accounting policies conform to the accounting practices prescribed by the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities (DPU) which require that certain items be charged or credited directly to surplus. Generally accepted accounting principles would require the same items to be charged or credited to operating income. Accordingly, the accompanying financial statements are not intended to present financial position and results of operations in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Business Activity

The Department purchases electricity which it distributes to consumers within the towns of Reading, North Reading, Wilmington, and Lynnfield.

Electric Utility Plant and Depreciation

Depreciation by statute is computed at a rate of 3% of cost of utility plant in service as of the beginning of the year. A greater amount may be accrued with approval from the DPU. For 1990 and 1989, the Department computed depreciation at 4%.

Replacement and betterments are charged to utility plant while maintenance and repairs are expensed currently. Upon sale or retirement of plant assets, the cost and accumulated depreciation are removed from utility plant and any profit or loss is charged to unappropriated earned surplus.

Revenues

Revenues are based on rates established by the Department and filed with the DPU. The Department's rates must be set such that earnings attributable to electric operations less bond principal payments do not exceed 8% of the net cost of plant. Revenues from sales of electricity are recorded on the basis of bills rendered from monthly meter readings taken on a cycle basis. Revenues are stated net of discounts; no recognition is given to unbilled revenues at the end of accounting periods.

Note A. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies: (continued)

Inventories

Materials and supplies are stated on an average cost basis. Meters and transformers are capitalized when purchased.

Note B. Investment in Associated Companies:

Under agreements with the New England Hydro-Transmission Electric Company, Inc. (NEH) and the New England Hydro-Transmission Corporation (NHH), the Department has made the following advances to fund its equity requirements for the Hydro-Quebec phase II interconnection. The Department's equity position in the Project is less than one-half of one percent.

	1990	1989
New England Hydro-Transmission Electric Company, Inc.	$ 264,838	$ 264,838
New England Hydro-Transmission Corporation	197,034	197,034
	$ 461,872	$ 461,872

Note C. Operating Cash

At December 31, current cash funds are available for Department use as follows:

	1990	1989
Funds reserved for operations	$ -0-	$ 973,443
Funds reserved for construction expenditures	-0-	121,450
Miscellaneous operating reserves	4,483	-0-
Funds reserved for liability to customers in connection with fuel cost billings to customers in excess of fuel costs (Note E)	2,546,156	1,091,700
Funds reserved for payment of unbilled Nuclear Mix One bond interest liability	2,049,740	1,913,639
Funds reserved for payment of bonds	-0-	39,283
Funds reserved to defer future customer rate increases	8,777,168	3,787,588

Note C. Operating Cash: (continued)

	1990	1989
Funds reserved for effect of uncollectible accounts	$ 456,572	$ 415,863
Funds reserved for sick leave benefits	233,899	155,087
Funds reserved for the payment of insurance premiums	567,095	518,361
Total Operating Cash	$14,635,113	$ 9,016,414

Note D. Long-Term Debt:

	1990	1989
Bonds Payable:		
Bonds issued November 15, 1970, bearing an interest rate of 6.0% per annum are payable in annual installments of $30,000 plus interest and are due November 15, 1990	$ -0-	$ 30,000
Total Bonds Payable	-0-	30,000
Less: Current installments of bonds payable	-0-	30,000
Total Long-Term Bonds Payable	$ -0-	$ -0-

The future payments required on the long-term debt are as follows:

Fiscal year	6.0%
1990	30,000
Total	$ 30,000

Capital Leases:

The Department entered into capital leases to finance the purchase of computer equipment costing $170,358 in 1986 and a new phone system costing $44,157 in 1987.

Note D. Long-Term Debt: (continued)

Capital Leases: (continued)

The following is a schedule by years of future minimum lease payments together with the present value of the net minimum lease payments as of December 31, 1990 and 1989:

	1990	1989
1990	$ -0-	$ 11,234
1991	11,234	11,234
1992	4,680	3,744
Net minimum lease payments	15,914	26,212
Less: amount representing interest	(1,123)	(2,894)
Present value of net minimum lease payments	14,791	23,318
Less: current portion	(10,224)	(9,341)
Total long-term payments under capital lease	$ 4,567	$ 13,977

Note E. Other Deferred Credits

Other deferred credits consist of the following:	1990	1989
Fuel cost billings to customers in excess of fuel costs (Note C)	$2,546,156	$1,091,700
Portion of Boston Edison settlement to be returned	318,414	-0-
	$2,864,570	$1,091,700

Note F. Miscellaneous Operating Reserves	1990	1989
Provision for accrued sick liability	$ 233,899	$ 155,087
Provision for accrued MMWEC operating project billings	-0-	490,112

Note F. Miscellaneous Operating Reserves (continued)

	1990	1989
Provision for dispute of electric bills rendered to Danis Reading Realty Trust	$ 28,000	$ 28,000
Provision for unbilled Nuclear Mix One prefunded bond interest	1,672,002	1,672,002
Total	$ 1,933,901	$ 2,345,201

Note G. Miscellaneous Credits to Surplus

Miscellaneous credits to surplus for 1990 and 1989 consist of the following:

	1990	1989
Excess funds refund (Note K)	$ 1,575,232	$ 1,545,423
Portion of $3,266,602 Pilgrim settlement related to expenses paid in prior years (Note L)	2,570,132	-0-
Refund of Hydro Quebec II payments from prior years	100,640	86,290
Gain on disposal of Electric Utility Plant	-0-	27,816
Adjust 1988 bad debt expense	22,570	-0-
Refund of Nuclear Project 3 working capital	52,617	-0-
Total	$ 4,321,191	$ 1,659,529

Note H. Appropriations of Surplus

Appropriations of surplus consist of the following:

	1990	1989
Payments on bond principal	$ 30,000	$ 130,000
Transfers to the Town of Reading, Massachusetts, for payment in lieu of taxes as authorized by the Town of Reading Municipal Light Board	1,250,000	1,250,000
Interest on customer deposit for prior years	12,957	-0-
Loss on disposal of Electric Utility Plant	425	-0-
Total	$ 1,293,382	$ 1,380,000

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS
MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1990 AND 1989

Note I. Employees Pension:

The employees of the Municipal Light Department participate in the Town of Reading Contributory Retirement System (the System) as adopted under Chapter 32 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The System covers Reading town employees.

Each year the Municipal Light Board is assessed by the Town for its portion of the total annual appropriation for the pension fund, which payments are made from the Town of Reading Municipal Light Department Employees' Retirement Trust, a trust established by the Municipal Light Board for the purpose of funding currently, from the Department's operating and maintenance account, the annual contributions required by the Reading Contributory Retirement System.

Contributions to the Retirement Trust are based on actuarial valuations using an aggregate cost method in which all plan liabilities are funded by normal cost payments and under which method there is no separately stated liability for past service costs. The last valuation was done as of July 1, 1988.

Payments to the Trust by the Department amounted to $393,192 in 1990 and 1989.

Note J. Power Sales Agreements:

The Light Department of the Town of Reading (the Department) is a Participant in certain Projects of the Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Company (MMWEC), a public corporation and a political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

MMWEC is a coordinating and planning agency for the development of bulk power supply requirements of its members and project participants. MMWEC is authorized to own or purchase ownership interests in, and to issue revenue bonds to finance electric facilities (projects). MMWEC obtains power supply capacity by acquiring interests in various generating units and the operation of its own electric generating facilities. MMWEC sells the capability of each of its projects to its members and other utilities (project participants) under Power Sales Agreements (PSAs). Among other things, the PSA for each project requires each project participant to pay its share of MMWEC's costs related to the project which includes debt service on bonds issued by MMWEC to finance the project, plus 10% of debt service to be paid into a reserve or contingency fund. In addition, should any project participant fail to make any payment, other project participants may be required to provide additional payments in an amount up to 25% of the continuing participants' payments for the project. PSA participants have covenanted to fix, revise, and collect rates at least sufficient to meet their obligations under the PSA.

Note J. Power Sales Agreements, (continued):

MMWEC also obtains power by entering into contracts to purchase long-term and/or intermediate term power from third parties. This power is resold to members and other utilities under agreements known as power purchase agreements (PPAs).

The commitments made by participants in both PSAs and PPAs are payable solely from their electric system revenues. Under each PSA, each participant is unconditionally obligated to make payments due to MMWEC whether or not the project is completed or operating and notwithstanding the suspension or interruption of the output of the project.

MMWEC's 11.6% ownership interest in the Seabrook Station represents a substantial portion of its plant investment and financing programs. On March 1, 1990, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) authorized a full-power operating license for Seabrook Unit 1 (Unit). The unit began its power ascension testing program in March and on June 30, 1990, the unit was turned over to NEPOOL for dispatch.

Seabrook Station originally consisted of two 1,150 megawatt nuclear reactors. Unit 2 has been cancelled. Construction of Seabrook Station Unit 1 was completed by New Hampshire Yankee (NH Yankee), which currently is a division of Public Service of New Hampshire (PSNH), the unit's lead owner, owning 35.6% of the unit. In October 1986, Seabrook received a 40 year operating license with certain pre-conditions that included NRC approval of radiological emergency response plans. In response to NRC rulings in 1988, the joint owners provided $72 million, through the purchase of a surety, and establishment of pre-operational and supplementary trusts, to demonstrate their ability to decommission the plant after low-power testing. The NRC staff, in August 1989, recommended that a full-power license be granted on the basis that adequate and implementable response plans were in place for Massachusetts and New Hampshire. Seabrook Station experienced persistent and substantial cost increases and significant schedule delays; it has been the source of continuing controversy and opposition from government officials, regulators, intervenors and others; and it has created financial problems for many of its joint owners, including MMWEC.

The MMWEC project participants, per the power sales agreements, are liable for their proportionate share of the cost of a nuclear incident at a nuclear power plant as outlined in the Price-Andersen Act. Additionally, the participants are liable for the decommissioning expenses of an operating nuclear unit. Millstone No. 3 and Seabrook Unit 1 decommissioning expenses are funded through monthly project billings.

Note J. Power Sales Agreements, (continued):

PSNH, as a result of the continued delay in commercial operation of Seabrook Unit 1 and its inability to recover costs of the unit through rates prior to commercial operation, experienced substantial difficulty in sustaining its financial obligations for its 35.6% share of the Seabrook project. PSNH challenged the constitutionality of New Hampshire's anti-CWIP law. However, the New Hampshire Supreme Court upheld that statute, thus prohibiting PSNH from billing its customers for Seabrook-related costs until the commercial operation of the unit. This decision effectively barred approval of PSNH's emergency rate relief request. Shortly thereafter, PSNH filed for protection from its creditors under Chapter 11 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code in January 1988.

The Bankruptcy Court administering the reorganization of PSNH allowed reorganization plans to be filed. After hearings on the disclosure statements associated with the plans, PSNH, the State of New Hampshire, various Bankruptcy Creditor and Equity Committees and others agreed to and joined in sponsoring the reorganization plan submitted by Northeast Utilities (NU/PSNH Plan) to acquire PSNH, including Seabrook Station. Hearings on confirmation of the NU/PSNH plant were held in the fall and winter of 1989/1990, and the court aproved the plan on April 20, 1990. Implementation of the plan is conditioned on a number of events, including necessary approvals by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and Securities Exchange Commission (SEC).

In this regard, FERC hearings before an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) began on August 6, 1990. The ALJ issued his opinion on December 20, 1990, which recommended approval of the merger, subject to a number of conditions related to transmission access. The ALJ's opinion has been sent to the FERC full commission for consideration. Various parties have filed exceptions to the ALJ decision. FERC has previously stated the commission will issue an order on or about December 31, 1991. The SEC held no hearings and on December 21, 1990, granted unconditional approval of the merger. One party has appealed that decision to the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia. MMWEC has requested reconsideration of that decision with the SEC.

On June 1, 1988, MMWEC's Board of Directors adopted a strategic plan of action relating to its Seabrook joint ownership interests. The plan of action evidenced, among other things, an intention to draw down funds previously paid and not to pay any future direct obligations to the Seabrook project. MMWEC's prepayments were exhausted on or about July 24, 1988. The Connecticut Light and Power Company, in exchange for a power sales arrangement with other joint owners, and through additional payments, furnished funds to the Seabrook Project in lieu of MMWEC's

Note J. Power Sales Agreements, (continued):

payments, for the July 24 to November 30, 1988 period. As part of a Comprehensive Seabrook Settlement, the Connecticut Light and Power Company released any claims it may have had against MMWEC as a result of making payments to the Seabrook Project.

On November 4, 1988, MMWEC and PSNH entered into a Memorandum of Understanding whereby MMWEC mainained its full ownership in Seabrook Station and further agreed to execute a settlement agreement. Upon the effective date, August 1, 1989, the memorandum and the settlement agreement provided, among other things, that all notices of default were rescinded and covenants not to sue among the major joint owners of Seabrook were effective. The settlement agreement required PSNH to be responsible for MMWEC's portion of the Seabrook Station pre-operational costs, commencing December 1, 1988 to NEPOOL dispatch of the unit or up to $30 million, whichever came first.

Other terms of the Settlement Agreement effectuated by the commercial operation of Seabrook were:

- PSNH must pay MMWEC $2 million per year for eight years upon commercial operation of the unit.
- The Sellback Agreement between MMWEC and PSNH was jointly terminated. The Sellback Agreement called for PSNH to purchase certain amounts of Seabrook capacity from MMWEC at cost.
- MMWEC's Point Lepreau transmission contract was extended until October 31, 1995, at existing rates.

The PSNH Bankruptcy court approved the Comprehensive Seabrook Settlement on April 14, 1989. PSNH made all construction payments for MMWEC until early May 1990, when the $30 million was exhausted. The Seabrook unit was turned over to NEPOOL for dispatch on June 30, 1990 and MMWEC made all catchup payments as required by the Settlement Agreement on July 2, 1990. MMWEC has made all Seabrook-related payments required of it as a joint owner since that date.

The Vermont Department of Public Service (VDPS) brought an action against MMWEC in a Superior Court of Vermont in 1985 challenging the validity of the Project No. 6 PSAs entered into by the Vermont Participants. In 1986, the Superior Court Judge ruled that the PSAs for Project No. 6 between MMWEC and several consumer-owned utilities in Vermont were valid under Vermont law. The plaintiffs appealed this ruling to the Vermont Supreme Court, which heard arguments in 1987. In 1988, the Vermont Supreme Court ruled that the Project No. 6 PSAs with the Vermont utilities were void since inception (void ab initio) because inter alia, the Vermont utilities lacked the statutory

Note J. Power Sales Agreements, (continued):

authority to enter into the contracts and to delegate certain authority to MMWEC. MMWEC filed a motion for a rehearing, however, in January 1989, the Vermont Supreme Court denied MMWEC's motion for a rehearing. MMWEC also filed a writ of certiorari with the United States Supreme Court to review the Vermont Supreme Court decision. The writ of certiorari was denied in October 1989.

The Vermont Supreme Court decision, together with VDPS actions, resulted in the Vermont municipal Project No. 6 Participants ceasing to make their payments to MMWEC. The Vermont Electric Cooperative and Washington Electric Cooperative of Vermont had already stopped making payments in January 1986 and 1988, respectively. Shortfalls in the Project No. 6 revenues are being made up from available funds within the Project. The default by the Vermont Participants and Eastern Maine Electric Cooperative resulted in a reallocation of the Project No. 6 project capability in accordance with the PSA.

Inasmuch as the Stony Brook Intermediate Project has approximately 8.2% of Project Capability under PSAs with Vermont entities, which PSAs are virtually identical to the Project No. 6 PSA, the Vermont Supreme Court decision on the Project No. 6 PSA could apply equally to the Stony Brook Intermediate PSA. The Vermont Legislature enacted legislation seeking to validate the Stony Brook Intermediate PSA in light of the Vermont Supreme Court Decision. MMWEC is seeking a declaration of the validity of the Stony Brook Intermediate PSA, as well as the curative legislation, in the matter of MMWEC v. State of Vermont et al currently pending in the Superior Court in Washington County, Vermont.

The Vermont Supreme Court decision declaring the Project No. 6 Vermont Participant's contracts void ab initio caused certain Massachusetts Project No. 6 Participants to raise issues relating to the validity of the Project No. 6 PSAs, alleging among other things that 100% participation in the PSAs is a condition precedent to the validity of the Project PSAs. In April 1989, the Hingham Municipal Lighting Plant and the Shrewsbury Electric Light Plant both filed identical but separate actions in the Superior Court of Suffolk County in Massachusetts. The primary basis for the complaints is whether the Project No. 6 PSAs are valid and binding as to them, since, as alleged in the complaints, a condition precedent to the validity of all the Project No. 6 PSAs is 100% participation in said Agreement, and if the Vermont Participants' contracts are void ab initio, then this condition precedent has not been met. Further, the complaints alleged that any increase in Project No. 6 billings as a result of the nonpayment by the Vermont Project No. 6 Participants is unlawful on the basis that the Project No. 6 PSAs failed to have 100% participation and MMWEC's use of Project No. 6

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funds to cover the shortfall in receipts constitutes a breach of the PSAs. Five other Massachusetts Project No. 6 Participants filed similar complaints in Suffolk County Superior Court.

In April 1989, MMWEC filed an original action in the Supreme Judicial Court against two Massachusetts Project No. 6 Participants. A single justice of the court accepted MMWEC's motion to have the court transfer to the Supreme Judicial Court the other Project No. 6 Participant cases pending in the Superior Court. Furthermore, the justice granted MMWEC's request for two preliminary injunctions, ordering the non-paying participants to pay their obligations. In June 1989, the participants withdrew their complaints. MMWEC amended its complaint to include all issues and named as defendants Shrewsbury, Holden, Hudson, Peabody, Danvers, Georgetown, Hingham, Paxton, Sterling and West Boylston. MMWEC also filed a Motion for Summary Judgement with the single justice, who allowed for discovery to take place prior to scheduling a hearing on the summary judgement motions. The Danvers, Hudson, and Peabody light departments filed a motion asking the justice to recuse himself due to a potential conflict, which he did in January 1990, sending the case back to the Suffolk County Superior Court. On August 10, 1990 Hudson and Peabody filed a motion for partial summary judgement on the 100% participation and step-up issues. On November 9, 1990, the judge heard arguments from all parties and ruled that the nonpayment of the Vermont participants constituted a default within the meaning of the governing documents. This default then triggered a step-up and other related actions required by the documents. The judge then reserved and reported his order to the Appeals Court and stayed all other proceedings pending the final outcome of the case. The case is expected to be heard by the Supreme Judicial Court for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in the spring of 1991.

On July 17, 1990, after receiving the July Project No. 6 billings, which included Seabrook operating and maintenance costs, Hudson and Peabody filed a motion to amend the injunction requiring them to pay Project No. 6 costs. The light departments asked that the part of the operating costs attributable to the Vermont participants be placed into escrow pending final outcome of the litigation. On July 20, 1990, the court denied the motion.

The Town of Hudson Light & Power Department and the City of Peabody Municipal Light Plant filed a lawsuit against MMWEC in November 1988, which among other things, sought to enjoin the MMWEC Board of Directors from acting upon the Memorandum of Understanding with PSNH. In November 1988, the Massachusetts Superior Court denied the Hudson/Peabody injunction request, which denial was upheld by the

Note J. Power Sales Agreements, (continued):

Massachusetts Appeals Court. In December 1988, Hudson and Peabody amended their complaint against MMWEC to include challenges to the validity of the Project No. 6 PSA on the 100% participation issued, as previously discussed. MMWEC moved to compel arbitration of this dispute and the Superior Court granted MMWEC's motion in accordance with the terms of the PSAs. In the fall of 1990, in conjunction with the summary judgement proceedings on the 100% participation and step-up issues, MMWEC, Hudson and Peabody have agreed to resolve other issues through the courts rather than arbitration. However, all actions on these other issues are stayed pending the outcome of the appeal to the Supreme Judicial Court mentioned above.

In December 1990, Continental Illinois Bank, the bondholders' Trustee, filed a complaint in Federal District Court against the various light departments that were contesting the Project 6 contracts, and certain current and former light department managers. MMWEC was named as a nominal party in the case, and no damages are sought from it. The suit alleges these participants misrepresented as unconditional their intention to pay MMWEC the money it needs to pay the debt service on MMWEC bonds. MMWEC intends to seek dismissal of the complaint.

In March 1989, Washington Electric Cooperative of Vermont (WEC) filed suit against MMWEC in the Washington County Superior Court in Vermont for restitution of payments made to MMWEC under the Project No. 6 PSA. WEC received an ex parte trustee process against other Vermont utilities which are making payments under MMWEC's Stony Brook Intermediate unit contracts. MMWEC removed this case to the United States District Court for the District of Vermont, where hearings were held and an order was issued to dissolve the trustee process contingent on MMWEC giving notice of any intent to take away the Vermont Participant's Intermediate Unit capacity.

On July 31, 1989, MMWEC filed an action against certain directors, managers and attorneys of the WEC for misrepresentation. These third party defendants have moved to dismiss the claims. In November 1989, the VDPS moved to intervene in this case and filed a claim of $6.2 million for restitution of all Vermont Project No. 6 participant payments. In March 1990 the Federal District Court, pursuant to MMWEC's motion, dismissed the VDPS's intervention in the case. The VDPS has appealed the decision to the Second Circuit Court of Appeals. On December 18, 1990, the Appeals Court upheld the District Court ruling denying VPDS motion to intervene. VDPS is now seeking reconsideration of the decision.

On December 5, 1990, the Trustee filed complaints against the certain

Note J. Power Sales Agreements, (continued):

managers, commissioners and other individuals of the Vermont entities that had participated in Project No. 6. The suits allege fraud and misrepresentation in actions taken relating to the Project 6 contract. The Vermont Participants have filed a number of different motions and affidavits in the case.

Eastern Maine Electric Cooperative (EMEC), a participant in MMWEC's Project No. 6, did not make its June, July or August 1987 payments and filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code in August 1987. In its petition, EMEC asked the court to reject its contract with MMWEC. In October 1988, EMEC's petition for rejection of the contract was denied by the U.S. Bankruptcy Court. The judge concluded that MMWEC has a valid claim against EMEC stemming from EMEC's default under the PSA prior to EMEC entering into Chapter 11. EMEC responded to the MMWEC claim filed in this case with a counterclaim alleging, among other things, that its Project No. 6 PSA with MMWEC is void as a result of the Vermont Supreme Court decision. A trial scheduled for January 1990 was postponed as the two parties agreed to discuss settlement. EMEC's counsel unilaterally filed a settlement agreement with the court, which, among other things, would allow MMWEC to recover up to $15 million on its $30-plus million claim against EMEC. MMWEC objected to the agreement. On May 10, 1990, the court approved the settlement of the claim. MMWEC has appealed the decision to the Federal District Court in Maine, where the appeal is still pending. In September 1990 the Federal Bankruptcy Court judge hearing the case removed himself from the case, which was then assigned to a new judge recently appointed to the Federal Bankruptcy Court in Maine. Several amended reorganization plans have been filed by MMWEC, EMEC, and the project participant's committee. The new judge has held hearings on several aspects of the case. No schedule has been set for completing the case.

In January 1986, the Hull Municipal Lighting Plant filed suit against MMWEC seeking a declaration that its PSA for Nuclear Mix 1, Nuclear Projects Nos. 4 and 5 and Project No. 6 relating to Seabrook were invalid, and an injunction against MMWEC collecting any amounts from Hull under the agreements and monetary damages. The suit challenges the validity of these PSA on various grounds and alleges, among other things, various misrepresentations, breaches and imprudencies by MMWEC. On March 5, 1986, the Massachusetts Superior Court granted MMWEC's motions to stay the legal proceedings and compel arbitration of the suit and for a preliminary injunction requiring Hull to pay its share of monthly power costs as required by the PSAs. On March 21, 1986, a single justice of the Massachusetts Appeals Court denied Hull's petition for relief from the orders of the Superior Court, and the matter

Note J. Power Sales Agreements, (continued):

went to arbitration. The Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court subsequently took the case and issued an opinion upholding the injunction. In August 1987, the arbitrator ruled that the contracts signed by Hull's light board with MMWEC were valid. The arbitrator has yet to rule on the other alleged breaches, imprudencies and misrepresentations claimed against MMWEC by Hull. After withholding payments, Hull is currently making payments, under protest, in accordance with the court order. After a hiatus in the case, a new arbitrator was agreed to in January 1990. Discovery on fact witnesses was completed in November 1990. There have been no additional hearings or documents filed since that date, although a stipulated schedule has been forwarded to arbitrator for his consideration.

As of December 31, 1990, total capital expenditures amounted to $1,464,545,000 of which $103,318,000 represents the amount attributable to the Reading Light Department. Debt outstanding for the Projects included Power Supply System Revenue bonds totaling $1,427,055,000, of which $106,847,000 is attributable to the Power Sales Agreements of the Department. As of December 31, 1990, the total future debt service requirement on outstanding bonds issued for Projects under construction is $3,830,532,000, of which $233,443,000 is attributable to the Department.

Reading Light Department has entered into power purchase contracts or Power Sales Agreements with MMWEC. Under these agreements, the Department is required to make capacity or debt service payments to MMWEC. The aggregate amount of such required payments, exclusive of Reserve and Contingency Fund billings, on Bonds outstanding and significant power purchase contracts through MMWEC at December 31, 1990, is below.

		ANNUAL COST
For years ended December 31,	1991	$ 13,724,000
	1992	14,519,000
	1993	14,366,000
	1994	12,528,000
	1995	10,340,000
Later Fiscal Years		182,728,000
	Total	$ 248,205,000

In addition, the Department is required to pay its share of the operation and maintenance costs of the units in which it participates. The Department's total Operation and Maintenance costs including debt service under the agreements were $20,069,000 and $21,218,000 for the years ended December 31, 1990 and 1989, respectively.

Note K. Refund of Excess Project Funds:

The Department received from Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Company, MMWEC, excess project funds in the amount of $1,575,232 in 1990 and $1,545,423 in 1989 as a result of its participation in certain MMWEC power sales agreements.

Note L. Boston Edison Pilgrim Settlement:

In January 1990 the Boston Edison Company signed a settlement agreement with respect to the Pilgrim plant outage. The settlement received by Reading Municipal Light Department consisted of the following:

Reimbursement for replacement power and other expenses incurred in prior years	$ 2,570,132
Interest	151,801
Reimbursement for legal expenses incurred in the current year	31,755
Incremental outage expense to be refunded to Boston Edison	512,914
Total Settlement	$ 3,266,602

Note M. Construction in Progress:

The Department has entered into a purchase and sales agreement for property located on Ash Street. Costs expended to date relating to the acquisiton of that property have been capitalized.

Note N. Voluntary Payments to Town:

Under special legislation enacted in 1990 and by a twenty-year agreement with the towns it serves, the Department is permitted to expense voluntary payments to those towns. The payments are based on a formula which allocates an amount equal to two percent of the Department's net plant value among the four towns.

Note O. Loss and Gain Contingencies:

The Department is involved in a dispute by a commerical ratepayer regarding electrical bills amounting to $44,887 of which $28,000 has been reserved in escrow until the dispute is settled.

Boston Edison Company (BECO) filed a proposed rate increase for contract demand services under which the Department obtains capacity from BECO's power supply resources. The proposed rates represent over a sixty percent increase in the existing rate and would increase charges for this service by $3.8 million on an annual basis. BECO has been allowed to collect, subject to refund, a portion of the increase. The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission has ordered hearings as to whether the proposed rates are unlawful.

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	Cost 1-1-90	Net Cost Property Added 1990	Net Cost Property Disposed of 1990	Cost 12-31-90	Accrued Depreciation 1-1-90	Depreciation 1990	Reversed Depreciation 1990	Accrued Depreciation 12-31-90	Book Value 12-31-90
Electric Transmission Plant:									
351 Clearing land and rights of way	$ 25,016	$ -0-	$ -0-	$ 25,016	$ -0-	$ -0-	$ -0-	$ -0-	$ 25,016
352 Structures and improvements	597,718			597,718	352,297	23,909		376,206	221,512
353 Station equipment	1,302,821			1,302,821	747,097	52,113		799,210	503,611
354 Towers and fixtures	79,274			79,274	55,221	3,171		58,392	20,882
355 Poles and fixtures	97,728	733		98,461	62,233	3,909		66,142	32,319
356 Overhead conductors and devices	36,674	3,488		40,162	11,413	1,467		12,880	27,282
357 Underground conduits	24,936			24,936	24,846	90		24,936	-0-
358 Underground conductors and devices	15,488	16,176		31,664	5,650	1,527		7,177	24,487
Total Electric Transmission Plant	2,179,655	20,397	-0-	2,200,052	1,258,757	86,186	-0-	1,344,943	855,109
Electric Distribution Plant:									
360 Land and land rights	241,459	6,960	-0-	248,419	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	248,419
361 Structures and improvements	853,888			853,888	469,888	34,164		504,052	349,836
362 Station and equipment	3,778,206	4,035		3,782,241	2,273,215	151,119		2,424,334	1,357,907
363 Storage battery equipment	6,800			6,800	4,994	272		5,266	1,534
364 Poles, towers and fixtures	4,431,069	386,100	23,939	4,793,230	1,931,486	149,537	23,939	2,057,084	2,736,146
365 Overhead conductors and devices	4,561,523	369,672	33,384	4,897,811	1,730,097	153,723	33,384	1,850,436	3,047,375
366 Underground conduits	2,226,076	63,136		2,289,212	873,650	44,522		918,172	1,371,040
367 Underground conductors and devices	2,519,970	176,538	2,683	2,693,825	1,489,318	100,799	2,683	1,587,434	1,106,391
368 Line transformers	3,796,668	157,622	10,196	3,944,094	1,473,462	151,867	10,196	1,615,133	2,328,961
369 Services	1,810,594	122,416	30,740	1,902,270	844,994	72,424	30,740	886,678	1,015,592
370 Meters	1,692,836	84,355	23,901	1,753,290	815,516	67,713	23,901	859,328	893,962
373 Street lighting and signal systems	1,311,871	125,593	6,399	1,431,065	695,037	52,475	6,399	741,113	689,952
Total Electric Distribution Plant	27,230,960	1,496,427	131,242	28,596,145	12,601,657	978,615	131,242	13,449,030	15,147,115
Totals To Be Forwarded	$29,410,615	$1,516,824	$ 131,242	$ 30,796,197	$13,860,414	$ 1,064,801	$ 131,242	$ 14,793,973	$ 16,002,224

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Totals Brought Forward	$29,410,615	$1,516,824	$ 131,242	$30,796,197	$13,860,414	$ 1,064,801	$ 131,242	$14,793,973	$16,002,224
Electric General Plant:									
389 Land and land rights	12,726	-0-	-0-	12,726	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	12,726
390 Structures and improvements	851,148	36,257		887,405	433,602	34,046		467,648	419,757
391 Office furniture and equipment	550,402	97,424		647,826	249,011	47,809		296,820	351,006
392 Transportation equipment	965,861	139,658	30,107	1,075,412	667,541	87,285	24,496	730,330	345,082
393 Stores equipment	784			784	684	8		692	92
394 Tools, shop and garage equipment	343,721	49,924		393,645	232,139	20,137		252,276	141,369
395 Laboratory equipment	144,981	2,731		147,712	62,918	6,326		69,244	78,468
397 Communications equipment	165,065	48,462		213,527	87,905	26,893		114,798	98,729
398 Miscellaneous equipment	20,653	8,606		29,259	19,399	165		19,564	9,695
Total Electric General Plant	3,055,341	383,062	30,107	3,408,296	1,753,199	222,669	24,496	1,951,372	1,456,924
Total Utility Plant	$32,465,956	$1,899,886	$ 161,349	$34,204,493	$15,613,613	$ 1,287,470	$ 155,738	$16,745,345	$17,459,148

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